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THE PRESIDENT, BOARD OF TRUSTEES, ADMINISTRATION, FACULTY,
AND STAFF CONGRATULATE YOU ON THIS VERY SPECIAL DAY.

TODAY'S COMMENCEMENT EXERCISE IS THE CULMINATION OF YOUR
HARD WORK AND INTELLECTUAL EFFORT, WHICH SHOULD BE DULY
NOTED AND PUBLICLY RECOGNIZED. MAY ALL OF YOUR DREAMS AND
WISHES BRING FORTH A PROSPEROUS FUTURE. CONGRATULATIONS!



NOVA SOUTHEASTERN UNIVERSITY

2012 UNDERGRADUATE COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY

OF THE

FARQUHAR COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

ABRAHAM S. FISCHLER SCHOOL OF EDUCATION

H. WAYNE HUIZENGA SCHOOL OF BUSINESS AND
ENTREPRENEURSHIP

BANKATLANTIC CENTER
SUNRISE, FLORIDA

*Saturday, the Twelfth of May, Two Thousand and Twelve
Four O'clock in the Afternoon*

THE ACADEMIC PROCESSION

MARSHAL

DEGREE CANDIDATES

MEMBERS OF THE FACULTY

TRUSTEES

DISTINGUISHED GUESTS

UNIVERSITY OFFICIALS

UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMS COMMENCEMENT 2012

ORDER OF EXERCISES

Prelude

*Processional

Crown Imperial (1937) Walton

Convening the Commencement..... Grand Marshal, Silvia Flores, M.D.
Member, Board of Trustees

Presiding Officer..... George L. Hanbury II, Ph.D.
President and Chief Executive Officer, Nova Southeastern University

**Star Spangled Banner* Key/Smith

*O! say can you see by the dawn's early light,
What so proudly we hailed at the twilight's last gleaming,
Whose broad stripes and bright stars through the perilous fight,
O'er the ramparts we watched, were so gallantly streaming?
And the rockets' red glare, the bombs bursting in air,
Gave proof through the night that our flag was still there;
O! say does that star-spangled banner yet wave,
O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave?*

Introductions..... Frank DePiano, Ph.D.
Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs

Welcome Don Rosenblum, Ph.D.
Dean, Farquhar College of Arts and Sciences

Opening Remarks George L. Hanbury II

**Denotes that the audience should stand during this part of the ceremony*

Presentation of Outstanding Achievement Awards.....Don Rosenblum
(*Biographical Sketches in back of program*)

Farquhar College of Arts and Sciences
Awards presented by Don Rosenblum

Dan Donovan Abella
Division of Humanities
and

Amy Nicole Peters
Division of Performing and Visual Arts
and

Lindsey Anne Nowland and Jesse James Secord
Division of Math, Science, and Technology
and

Sarah Yassin and Angelica E. Dolan
Division of Social and Behavioral Sciences
and

Abraham S. Fischler School of Education
Awards presented by Nelson Diaz

Nicole Marie Dovale and Genesis Montpellier
Teacher Education Programs
and

H. Wayne Huizenga School of Business and Entrepreneurship
Awards presented by J. Preston Jones

Lori Kimberly Chinn and Dania Jaggon

Presentation of The James Farquhar Award.....Don Rosenblum

Awarded to
Jonathon F. Sanz
(Biographical Sketch in back of program)

Address on Behalf of the Graduates.....Jonathon F. Sanz
Class of '12

Conferral of Honorary Degree.....George L. Hanbury II

Doctorate of Humane Letters
Awarded to
Terry Waite

Commencement Address..... Terry Waite
*Diplomat and Humanitarian
(Biographical Sketch in back of program)*

Presentation of Graduates

Conferral of Degrees..... George L. Hanbury II

Farewell..... George L. Hanbury II

Dismissal of the Commencement.....Grand Marshal, Silvia Flores

*Nova Southeastern University Anthem.....Cavanaugh

*Hail thee, Nova Southeastern!
Bright sun shining new;
Radiant star of our morning,
Ever rising, true;*

*May thy wisdom serve as our constant guide
and thy love a beacon strong,
as throughout the world we spread thy name
joining voice in grateful song;*

*Nova Southeastern, Alma Mater,
By thy light imbue,
Service, honor, loyalty,
'til our days are through.*

Love thee, Gray and Blue!

*Recessional

La Rejouissance Handel
From Music for the Royal Fireworks

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FARQUHAR COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

Don Rosenblum, Ph.D., Dean

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COMMENCEMENT SPEAKER



Terry Waite is a noted humanitarian, hostage negotiator, and best-selling author. He garnered international recognition in the 1980s when, as a special envoy to the Archbishop of Canterbury, he successfully negotiated the release of hostages in Iran and then Libya. In 1987, while negotiating the release of hostages in Beirut, Waite was himself taken hostage and held in captivity for 1,763 days. Four years of his captivity were spent in solitary confinement. Somehow, Waite was able to return home harboring no resentment toward his captors. In 2005, he made headlines by returning to Lebanon for the first time since his release to visit refugee camps and research the effects of war on the young.

Since September 11, 2001, he has been called upon by CNN, the BBC, Sky News, and other news media to share his views on Islamic fundamentalism, the treatment of prisoners in Guantanamo Bay, and the best way to negotiate with hostage takers in Iraq and elsewhere. Waite is also a regular commentator on current affairs and a frequent contributor of articles for British newspapers and journals. He is the cofounder of Hostage UK, which advises families and companies about the global risks of hostage taking.

Waite now devotes most of his time to intercultural relations, conflict resolution, and humanitarian causes around the world. He is the president of Emmaus UK (Homeless), as well as founder and president of Y Care International and the U.K. Ambassador for the Lifeline Energy Foundation. He has been awarded doctorates from leading universities around the world.

OUTSTANDING STUDENTS

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DIVISION OF HUMANITIES



DAN DONOVAN ABELLA, an English major, earned the Dean's List for five semesters. He served as a student officer in the Alpha Chi honor society and Sigma Tau Delta, the International English Honor Society. He also served as a staff editor for *Digressions*, the college's student literary magazine, for two years. His poetry and short fiction are featured in two volumes of the magazine. At the 2011 Undergraduate Student Symposium, Abella presented his poster "Peace Through Hostility: The Beats' Call for Equality Through Aggressive Poetic Imagery," under the advisement of faculty member Lynn Ellen Wolf, Ph.D. A native of the Philippines, Abella plans to attend graduate school in the winter and may ultimately pursue

a Ph.D. His plans include continuing his hobby of writing, whether it's as a freelance journalist or editor, or in the form of creative writing.

DIVISION OF PERFORMING AND VISUAL ARTS



AMY NICOLE PETERS, a dance major, earned the Dean's List for five semesters. Under the advisement of faculty member Elana Lanczi, M.F.A., Peters completed an internship at NSU's University School and an independent study course with the Merce Cunningham Dance Company and Dance Improvisation. In 2011, she attended the 2011 Dance Educational Organizational Conference in Minnesota. Peters works as a dance instructor at the Broward Dance Academy. She has volunteered at community events including CommunityFest and the NSU Health Fair. She served as secretary of NSU's iDance society. Peters plans to teach dance while pursuing a Master of Fine Arts in Dance degree.

DIVISION OF MATH, SCIENCE, AND TECHNOLOGY



LINDSEY ANNE NOWLAND, a biology major with a minor in chemistry, was a member of the Undergraduate Honors Program and the Beta Beta Beta National Biological Honor Society. She earned the Dean's List and President's List for seven semesters. For the 2011 Undergraduate Student Symposium, Nowland collaborated with other students on a paper, "Investigation of a Crime Scene: Applying Biological and Chemical Forensic Techniques," that earned second place. Faculty advisers for the paper were Deanne Roopnarine, D.P.M., and Maria Ballester, Ph.D. Under the advisement of faculty member Beatrix Aukshi, Ph.D., Nowland completed independent research on Glycosylation of 5-Hydroxylysine for cardiovascular

disease. In 2012, she attended the American Chemistry Society's Annual Conference in San Diego. Nowland, who works as a laboratory assistant for the college's chemistry program, has been a member of the NSU soccer team for four years. In 2011, she was selected as team captain. She has volunteered as a referee during a number of NSU's soccer tournaments. Nowland plans to attend Boston University's dental program and travel through Europe this summer.



JESSE JAMES SECORD, a marine biology major, is a member of Rho Rho Rho, the Marine Science Honor Society. He has earned the Dean's List for seven semesters. Secord completed a research project with faculty member Paul Arena, Ph.D., studying the effect of hard-bottom substrate availability on fish recruitment. Secord assisted doctoral student Andia Chavez with work on *Cliona delerix* population dynamics. He also conducted an independent research project with faculty members Robin Sherman, Ph.D., and Dave Kerstetter, Ph.D., examining hook degradation rates when left embedded in a fish. The preliminary results were presented at the 2012 Southern Division American Fisheries Society spring meeting.

Secord has been a member of the NSU Scuba Crew and served as president for one year. He was selected as one of 15 students nationwide to attend an NOAA National Marine Fisheries Service RTR workshop on population dynamics and stock assessment. Secord has worked as an outboard mechanic and boat detailer and as a field technician for an environmental consulting firm. He plans to attend graduate school and continue his studies in fisheries and fisheries management.

DIVISION OF SOCIAL AND BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES



SARAH YASSIN, a psychology major, is from Bartica, Guyana. She earned the Dean's List for seven semesters and was awarded the NSU Honor Award. She was awarded the Citation in Divisional Honors as a member of the Undergraduate Honors Program. She completed her research-based thesis on how emotion affects the ability to inhibit responses. Under the advisement of faculty members Jaime Tartar, Ph.D., and Leanne Boucher, Ph.D., Yassin tested 17 participants and measured both behavioral and brain activity using electroencephalogram (EEG). She volunteers at the Memorial Hospital in Pembroke Pines and at Volunteer Broward, for which she helped serve food to the homeless. Yassin plans to pursue a Ph.D. in Clinical Psychology with a specialization in neuropsychology.



ANGELICA E. DOLAN, a criminal justice major with a minor in forensic psychology, is in NSU's Dual Admission Program for criminal justice. She earned the Dean's List for four semesters. Dolan served as secretary for Alpha Phi Sigma, the National Criminal Justice Honor Society, and as president of NSU's criminal justice student organization. She worked part time at the NSU Bookstore and volunteered as a research assistant for faculty members conducting research in a correctional facility. Dolan aspires to a career in the federal criminal justice system.

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NICHOLE MARIE DOVALE, an elementary education major, is a member of Kappa Delta Pi, the international honor society in education. She is also a member of the Alpha Chi National Honor Society. Dovale earned the Dean's List for three semesters. She completed an internship at a grade 4 class at Somerset Academy Miramar. Dovale's volunteer work includes donating school supplies to students in Haiti who are in kindergarten through grade 6. She also participated in the Christmas Giving Tree Project, which raised money to help local orphaned children. Dovale plans to pursue a master's degree in exceptional student education while furthering her career as an elementary education teacher. Her plans include traveling the West Coast of the United States, as well as Europe and Australia.



GENESIS MONTPELLIER, an elementary education major with a minor in psychology, was awarded the Hispanic Community Service Scholarship. Montpellier, who earned the Dean's List for three semesters, is a member of Kappa Delta Pi, the international honor society in education. She completed an internship at Nova Blanche Forman Elementary School. She volunteers at her local church as a leader for youth and young adults. Montpellier has worked at New Horizon Learning Center as a VPK assistant and as a real estate sales associate. She plans to pursue a graduate degree in reading and further her career as an elementary school teacher.

H. WAYNE HUIZENGA SCHOOL OF BUSINESS AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP



LORI KIMBERLY CHINN, an accounting major with a minor in finance, earned the Dean's List for seven semesters. A native of Jamaica, Chinn is a member of NSU's Caribbean Students Association and NSU's Accounting Club. She has volunteered at NSU events including A Day for Children and Walk to Prevent Suicide, as well as at events organized by the Caribbean Students Association. Chinn has worked for NSU's Office of Annual Giving with the Sharkline Phonathon program. She aspires to secure an internship in an accounting firm, pursue graduate studies in accounting, and fulfill the requirements to become a licensed certified public accountant.



DANIA JAGGON, a double major in accounting and finance, is in NSU's Dual Admission Program for accounting. Jaggon is a member of Alpha Chi National Honor Society and Sigma Beta Delta international honor society for business, management, and administration. She was a member of the Undergraduate Honors Program and the Honors Student Association. Jaggon earned the Dean's List for seven semesters and received the NSU Honor Award. She served as treasurer of NSU's Accounting Club. She is also a student member of the Florida Institute of Certified Public Accountants, the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, and the National Associates of Black Accountants.

She completed an internship in the accounting department of the Administrative Offices of the Boys and Girls Club of Broward County. Jaggon is currently employed with a discount brokerage firm. She plans to pursue a master's degree in accounting and become a certified public accountant. Her ultimate career goal is to become an external auditor for one of the big four accounting firms in South Florida.

JAMES FARQUHAR AWARD



JONATHAN F. SANZ, a double major in theatre and music, is from New York City, New York. He was a member of the Undergraduate Honors Program and earned the Dean's List for six semesters. Sanz is a member of Alpha Chi Honor Society and Omicron Delta Kappa National Leadership Honor Society. He served as an intern with The Promethean Theatre for productions including *Cannibal! The Musical* and *Song of the Living Dead*. He attended the Florida Theatre Conference in 2010 and was a participant in the Southeastern Theatre Conference in 2011. With faculty member Bill Adams, D.M.A., Sanz presented lectures on the history of musical theatre and opera for the Ars Flores Symphony Orchestra. Sanz was an active member of NSU Theatre, participating in college productions including *Tartuffe*, *Cabaret*, *Twelfth Night*, *Ruthless*, and *Baby*. He was

a member of the NSU Vocal Ensemble and the Bossa Nova Chorale. Sanz is a Carbonell Scholarship Award winner and a recipient of the college's talent-based Performing and Visual Arts Grant. Sanz was also awarded the Black Box Best Solo Musical Performance and Best Featured Actor awards. He worked part time as an NSU theatre technician and box office staff member. He has served as an NSU orientation leader and presenter, as well as a peer leader for the Farquhar College of Arts and Sciences. This summer, Sanz will work at a summer theatre camp in Ohio, teaching theatre and directing. His plans include returning to New York City to intern for professional theatre companies and audition for performances.

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In the academic procession at baccalaureate commencement, degree candidates from the colleges are accompanied by faculty marshals chosen from among the full-time faculty members within those colleges. The word "marshal" derives from the Old High German words *marah*, meaning "horse" and *schalh*, meaning "servant," and originally meant "stable keeper." As marshals became trustworthy members of medieval courts, however, the title took on the designation of an honor and many became hereditary. In modern pageantry, marshals (often of the "Grand" variety) lead parades. In American universities, marshals lead processions or accompany parts of them, as is the case at Nova Southeastern University. The marshal of the academic procession, ordinarily a member of the NSU Board of Trustees, leads all parties to the commencement, bearing the university mace.

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The mission of Nova Southeastern University, a private, not-for-profit institution, is to offer a diverse array of innovative academic programs that complement on-campus educational opportunities and resources with accessible, distance-learning programs to foster academic excellence, intellectual inquiry, leadership, research, and commitment to community through engagement of students and faculty members in a dynamic, lifelong learning environment.

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ACADEMIC ATTIRE

Ceremonial garments worn at academic functions take their meaning from the original centers of learning of the western world in the church of the Middle Ages. Caps, hoods, and gowns of the early students and monks have been held through the centuries to be traditionally symbolic of the scholarly devotion so basic to education and to the deliberate and orderly evolution of knowledge.

The introduction of classical studies, the gradual rise of the great universities across Europe, and the ever-increasing awareness of the decisive role of education in the entire development of civilization influenced leaders among academicians in their desire for a singular identity. In the attempt to create this differentiation, educators fell upon the medieval system of classic heraldry, whereby the coat of arms, assorted ornamental trappings, and patterns of colorful design had been adopted to denote the distinctive character of designated chivalric orders. The function of a pedagogical heraldry became, then, simply identification. As such, measures were taken to signify through distinctive markings on the academicians' attire the institution that had granted the degree, the field of learning in which the degree had been earned, and the level of the degree, e.g., bachelor's, master's, or doctorate.

Of the three pieces of academic attire—the cap, the gown, and the hood—it is the hood that offers the most abundant and most readily discernable information about its owner. The inner lining of the hood identifies the institution at which the individual earned the degree. Some schools have adopted two-color patterns and introduced chevrons and bars in various designs to set themselves apart from other institutions. The velvet trim bordering the hood indicates the major field of learning, or faculty, in which the degree has been earned. The list at the conclusion of this section will explain this relationship. A final feature of the hood concerns its length and width and distinguishes further between holders of bachelor's, master's, and doctoral degrees. The length of the hood for the bachelor's degree is three feet, closed at the bottom, and with a velvet border of two inches. At Nova Southeastern University, however, individuals receiving a bachelor's degree do not wear a hood. A master's degree holder has a hood three and one-half feet in length with a three-inch wide border, and the hood is slit at the bottom. Individuals receiving doctoral degrees wear hoods four feet in length, open at the bottom, with five-inch borders. The gown is usually black in color, but some American universities have adopted distinctive colors for their robes.

The cut of the gown aids in differentiating between the three levels of degrees. The bachelor's gown is relatively simple and falls in straight lines from an elaborate yoke. It may be recognized most readily by the long, pointed sleeves. The master's gown is somewhat fuller and bears no adornment. The sleeves are oblong in shape and open at the wrist, with the rear part of the oblong square cut while the front edge has a cutaway arc. The doctor's gown is more elaborate, with velvet panels down the front and around the neck of the garment. The sleeves are bell-shaped at the end and have three bars of the same material as the front panels at the upper portion of the arm. It is cut rather fully and may be ornamental in color.

The mortarboard or Oxford-type cap has been adopted throughout most universities in the United States, although tams have become increasingly fashionable to denote holders of the doctoral degree. Colored tassels are usually worn by holders of the bachelor's and master's degrees. These denote the field of learning.

The color, indeed the flamboyance, of academic dress undoubtedly adds to the sense of occasion at academic ceremonies. But as its historical roots show, it has a much deeper significance. It is an outward sign of the universality of universities, and of their responsibility for certain timeless values essential to the freedom of inquiry: tolerance of alternative views and courage in maintaining one's own tirelessness in the pursuit of truth and the free exchange of knowledge. Its wearing marks also the responsibility of the new graduate to maintain and uphold these ideals. These fundamentals of academic freedom have not been threatened in this country for more than 200 years, but the importance attached to the donning of traditional academic dress was underlined in recent years by scholars from Central and Eastern Europe; during the Cold War, their use of academic robes became a symbol of their refusal to be dominated completely by political forces and the state, and symbolized their persistent links to the worldwide community of scholars. Thus, the wearing of academic dress should be seen not simply as a sign of achievement, but as a symbol of the responsibility that falls on all members of universities.

HONORS

<i>Alpha Chi</i>	Members of this national honor society wear blue and green ribbons with honor medallions.
<i>Beta Beta Beta</i>	Members of this national biological honor society wear red and green cords.
<i>Citation in Divisional Honors</i>	Members of this honors group wear a gold medallion indicating completion of all divisional honor requirements, including an honors project.
<i>Citation in General Honors</i>	Members of this honors group wear a silver medallion indicating completion of all General Honors Program courses and maintaining grade point requirement.
<i>Kappa Delta Pi</i>	Members of this education honor society wear violet and jade cords.
<i>Lambda Epsilon Chi</i>	Members of this paralegal assistant studies honor society wear gold-toned pins.
<i>Lambda Pi Eta</i>	Members of this communication honor society wear white and red cords.
<i>Psi Chi</i>	Members of this psychology honor society wear silver stoles.
<i>Rho Rho Rho</i>	Members of this national marine biological honor society wear triangular shaped gold pins.
<i>Sigma Beta Delta</i>	Members of this business management and administration honor society wear green and yellow cords.
<i>Sigma Tau Delta</i>	Members of this English honor society wear red and black stoles and medallions.
<i>Alpha Phi Sigma</i>	Members of this criminal justice honor society wear blue and gold cords.

PROCESSIONAL BANNERS (GONFALONS)

The gonfalon, a banner that hangs from a crosspiece or frame, originated in the medieval republics of Italy as an ensign of state or office. Gonfalons have been adopted in many universities around the world as college or institutional insignias, and many use them to identify and lead colleges and schools within the university in academic procession. The gonfalons represent the university and the various academic divisions of Nova Southeastern University.

The lower half of the gonfalon consists of the university insignia in various permutations. On the upper half is the name of a particular academic division of the university, along with a diagonal stripe in the color of that division's principal discipline.

ARTS, LETTERS, HUMANITIES	<i>White</i>	OPTOMETRY	<i>Sea Foam Green</i>
ACCOUNTANCY, BUSINESS.....	<i>Drab</i>	ORATORY (SPEECH)	<i>Silver Gray</i>
DENTISTRY	<i>Lilac</i>	PHARMACY	<i>Olive Green</i>
ECONOMICS	<i>Copper</i>	PHILOSOPHY	<i>Dark Blue</i>
EDUCATION.....	<i>Light Blue</i>	PODIATRY-CHIROPODY	<i>Nile Green</i>
ENGINEERING.....	<i>Orange</i>	PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION, INCLUDING CRIMINAL JUSTICE.....	<i>Peacock Blue</i>
FINE ARTS	<i>Brown</i>	PUBLIC HEALTH	<i>Salmon Pink</i>
LAW	<i>Purple</i>	SCIENCE.....	<i>Golden Yellow</i>
MEDICINE.....	<i>Green</i>	SOCIAL SCIENCE.....	<i>Cream</i>
MUSIC	<i>Pink</i>		
NURSING.....	<i>Apricot</i>		

MACE

During the Middle Ages, the mace was an effective weapon in battle and also was displayed as a symbol to command order during royal gatherings, religious ceremonies, and university classes. As newer and more powerful military arms were created, however, the mace progressed into a symbol of authority and today is frequently used to lead religious and academic processions.

The mace was originally a wooden staff carried by royal messengers as a symbol to preserve order and usher royal functions. The early wooden staff of such royal messengers or lead ushers of ceremonial processions was transformed in the 14th century into an elaborate sterling silver mace. Eventually, in the 15th century, it evolved into a symbol of academic excellence and dignity.

THE NOVA SOUTHEASTERN UNIVERSITY MACE



Before its merger in 1994 with Southeastern University of the Health Sciences, Nova University's mace bore a sterling silver "nova star" symbolizing the university's name and mission. Symbolically, Nova University's "nova star" burned brightly, providing educational enlightenment to the world. Today, a new sterling silver mace highlights the past, present, and future through the inclusion of the original "nova star" representing the university's past, surrounding the NSU seal. When not in official use, the mace is displayed in the rotunda of the William and Norma Horvitz Administration Building.

In Latin, *nova* means new or innovative. Nova Southeastern University was created to be an innovative educational institution—to take the best of traditional education from the past and mold it to fit the needs of students for today and tomorrow.

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