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COMMENCEMENT 1979

WELCOME

A cordial welcome is extended to each person attending the Tenth Annual Commencement Exercises, including friends and relatives of each degree candidate, University students, faculty and staff, and friends and supporters of the University.

NOVA UNIVERSITY

Celebrating its fifteenth year as a leader in higher education.

MAY CEREMONIES
PARKER PLAYHOUSE
707 N.E. 8th Street
Fort Lauderdale, Florida
Sunday, The Twentieth of May
Nineteen Hundred and Seventy-Nine

THE ROAD NOT TAKEN

Two roads diverged in a yellow wood
And sorry I could not travel both
And be one traveler, long I stood
And looked down one as far as I could
To where it bent in the undergrowth;

Then took the other, as just as fair,
And having perhaps the better claim,
Because it was grassy and wanted wear;
Though as for that the passing there
Had worn them really about the same,

And both that morning equally lay
In leaves no step had trodden black.
Oh, I kept the first for another day!
Yet knowing how way leads on to way,
I doubted if I should ever come back.

I shall be telling this with a sigh
Somewhere ages and ages hence:
Two roads diverged in a wood, and I—
I took the one less traveled by,
And that has made all the difference.

ROBERT FROST

ORDER OF EXERCISES

Processional	"Pomp and Circumstance," March #1 by Elgar
Convening the Tenth Commencement	Dr. James Farquhar Member, Board of Trustees
Presiding Officer	Dr. Abraham S. Fischler President, Nova University
The National Anthem	Audience and Nova Singers
Invocation	Pastor Darrell Stuehrenberg Gloria Dei Lutheran Church Davie, Florida
"The Road Not Taken"	Poem by Robert Frost Music by Randall Thompson
"The Battle Hymn Of The Republic"	Arranged by Wilhouski
<i>Nova University Community Singers Peggy Joyce Barber, Conductor Dana Davis, Accompanist</i>	
Introduction of the Commencement Speaker	Representative Lawrence J. Smith Member, Florida State Legislature
Commencement Address	Ben F. Overton Justice, Florida Supreme Court
Conferring of Degrees	Dr. Abraham S. Fischler
Closing Remarks	Dr. Alexander Schure Chancellor, Nova University
Benediction	Pastor Darrell Stuehrenberg
Recessional	Grand March from Aida by Verdi

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The caps, gowns and hoods of the academic procession date back to the Middle Ages, when they were common dress for scholars. Monks and students wore them to keep warm in the damp and drafty twelfth-century castles and halls of learning.

The Bachelor's gown has a pleated front and long, pointed sleeves. The Master's gown, which may be worn open, is distinguished by its long, square sleeves, closed at the end and slit near the elbow to permit the forearms to come through. The Doctor's gown, which also may be worn open, is trimmed with velvet panels down the front, with three velvet bars on its bell-shaped sleeves. The hood is the key to the costume. With a tassel of the same material as the gown, it is lined in silk with a color or colors of the institution conferring the degree. The length of the hood indicates the degree: four feet for the Doctor, three-and-a-half feet for the Master, and three feet for the Bachelor. The hood is sometimes omitted on the Bachelor's gown. The width of the velvet border also indicates a degree. The widest border belongs to the Doctor's gown.

The color of the hood's border indicates the field of learning to which the degree pertains. The doctor's hood may bear a single chevron on the lining. Two narrow chevrons indicate a Bachelor while the Master may have a single chevron, or have the hood divided equally in two colors.

The various fields of learning are indicated by color as follows: arts, letters, humanities—white; commerce and accountancy—drab; economics—copper; education or pedagogy—light blue; engineering—orange; fine arts, including architecture—brown; law—pale blue; library science—lemon; medicine—green; philosophy—dark blue; science—golden yellow.

During the processional, candidates for the Bachelor's Degree wear the tassels on their mortarboard hats on their right. Upon receiving their diplomas, the tassels are moved to the left.

