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Dear Graduates,

My heartiest congratulations on your graduation from Nova Southeastern University.

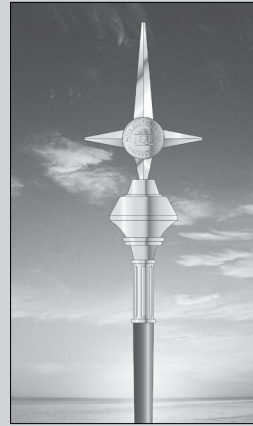
You can feel proud, as we do, that you walk this stage to receive your degree from a world-class university recognized with three Carnegie designations. NSU is an R1 research institution, a Community Engaged Institution, and an Opportunity College and University. These distinctions reflect our commitment to innovation, academic excellence, access, and meaningful impact.

Personally, I believe the pursuit and successful achievement of higher education is one of life's most transformative journeys.

Today, you stand at an important moment of transition, ready to step forward into your next chapter and toward new horizons. We celebrate you, your family, and all that you have accomplished, and we look forward to following all that you will achieve.

You are what excellence looks like.

Harry K. Moon, M.D., FACS, FRCSEd
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Nova Southeastern University



THE NOVA SOUTHEASTERN UNIVERSITY MACE

HISTORY OF THE 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.

NSU'S 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.

NSU'S VISION

To be recognized as a leading professional-dominant, doctoral research university providing competitive career advantages to its students and fostering alumni and partnership connections.

NSU'S MISSION

The mission of Nova Southeastern University—a selective, doctoral research university—is to deliver academic programs in a dynamic, innovative environment. We foster academic excellence, leadership, integrity, and scientific, economic, and community contributions through engaging and empowering our students, faculty, staff, alumni, and partners.

CORE VALUES

Student-Centered
Academic Excellence
Scholarship and Research
Innovation
Opportunity
Community
Diversity
Integrity

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CEREMONY SCHEDULE

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THE ACADEMIC PROCESSION

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Processional:	
<i>Entry of the Guests</i> , from <i>Tannhäuser</i> , by Richard Wagner	
<i>Pomp and Circumstance No. 1</i> by Edward Elgar	
Presiding Officer	Harry K. Moon, M.D., FACS, FRCSEd, <i>President and Chief Executive Officer</i>
Presentation of the Colors	Nova Southeastern University ARMY ROTC
<i>The Star-Spangled Banner</i>	William J. Adams, D.M.A., <i>Vocalist, Professor,</i> <i>Halmos College of Arts and Sciences and the</i> <i>Guy Harvey Oceanographic Research Center</i>
Convening the Commencement	
Grand Marshal	Catherine Arcabascio, J.D., <i>Professor,</i> <i>Shepard Broad College of Law</i>
Welcome and Introductions	Ronald J. Chenail, Ph.D., <i>Executive Vice President,</i> <i>Provost, Chief Academic Officer, and</i> <i>Interim Senior Vice President for Research</i>
Shepard Broad College of Law	Olympia Ross Duhart, J.D., <i>Dean</i>
Opening Remarks	Harry K. Moon, M.D., FACS, FRCSEd
Conferral of Honorary Doctor of Humane Letters Degree	Harry K. Moon, M.D., FACS, FRCSEd
Commencement Address	Daniel Coyle, <i>New York Times-Bestselling Author</i> <i>and Expert on High Performance and Culture</i>
Presentation of Candidates for Degrees	Ronald J. Chenail, Ph.D.
Conferral of Degrees	Harry K. Moon, M.D., FACS, FRCSEd
Closing Remarks	Ronald J. Chenail, Ph.D.
Dismissal of the Commencement	Grand Marshal Catherine Arcabascio, J.D.
Recessional:	
<i>Triumphal March</i> , from <i>Aida</i> , by Giuseppe Verdi	

THE STAR-SPANGLED BANNER

O! say can you see by the dawn's early light,
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Whose broad stripes and bright stars through the perilous fight,
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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?

NOVA SOUTHEASTERN UNIVERSITY ANTHEM

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 praise 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!

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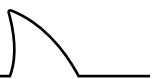
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Opening Remarks	Harry K. Moon, M.D., FACS, FRCSEd
Commencement Address	Scott E. Parazynski, M.D., <i>Astronaut, Physician, and Explorer at the Frontiers of Innovation</i>
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Presentation of Oaths	Wording is in the back of the program
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College of Dental Medicine	Michelle Madera, D.M.D., <i>Assistant Director and Assistant Professor</i>
College of Optometry	Nathan Etten, O.D., <i>President, Florida Optometric Association</i>
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THE ACADEMIC PROCESSION

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Presiding Officer	Harry K. Moon, M.D., FACS, FRCSEd, <i>President and Chief Executive Officer</i>
Presentation of the Colors	Nova Southeastern University ARMY ROTC
<i>The Star-Spangled Banner</i>	William J. Adams, D.M.A., <i>Vocalist, Professor, Halmos College of Arts and Sciences and the Guy Harvey Oceanographic Research Center</i>
Convening the Commencement	
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Presentation of Candidates for Degrees	Ronald J. Chenail, Ph.D.
Conferral of Degrees	Harry K. Moon, M.D., FACS, FRCSEd
Closing Remarks	Ronald J. Chenail, Ph.D.
Dismissal of the Commencement	Grand Marshal Greg Simco, Ph.D.
Recessional: <i>Triumphal March</i> , from <i>Aida</i> , by Giuseppe Verdi	

THE STAR-SPANGLED BANNER

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?

NOVA SOUTHEASTERN UNIVERSITY ANTHEM

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 praise 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!

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May 13, 2026, at 9:30 a.m.

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THE ACADEMIC PROCESSION

Grand Marshal

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Processional:	
<i>Entry of the Guests</i> , from <i>Tannhäuser</i> , by Richard Wagner	
<i>Pomp and Circumstance No. 1</i> by Edward Elgar	
Presiding Officer	Harry K. Moon, M.D., FACS, FRCSEd, <i>President and Chief Executive Officer</i>
Presentation of the Colors	Nova Southeastern University ARMY ROTC
<i>The Star-Spangled Banner</i>	William J. Adams, D.M.A., <i>Vocalist, Professor, Halmos College of Arts and Sciences and the Guy Harvey Oceanographic Research Center</i>
Convening the Commencement	
Grand Marshal	Jose Victor Lopez, Ph.D., <i>Professor, Halmos College of Arts and Sciences and the Guy Harvey Oceanographic Research Center</i>
Welcome and Introductions	Ronald J. Chenail, Ph.D., <i>Executive Vice President, Provost, Chief Academic Officer, and Interim Senior Vice President for Research</i>
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Opening Remarks	Harry K. Moon, M.D., FACS, FRCSEd
Introduction to Commencement Speaker	Harry K. Moon, M.D., FACS, FRCSEd
Commencement Address.....	Sylvia Earle, Ph.D., <i>Pioneering Oceanographer and Global Champion for Marine Conservation</i>
Presentation of Candidates for Degrees	Ronald J. Chenail, Ph.D.
Conferral of Degrees.....	Harry K. Moon, M.D., FACS, FRCSEd
Closing Remarks.....	Ronald J. Chenail, Ph.D.
Dismissal of the Commencement.....	Grand Marshal Jose Victor Lopez, Ph.D.
Recessional:	
<i>Triumphal March</i> , from <i>Aida</i> , by Giuseppe Verdi	

THE STAR-SPANGLED BANNER

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?

NOVA SOUTHEASTERN UNIVERSITY ANTHEM

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 praise 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!

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ORDER OF EXERCISES

May 13, 2026, at 3:00 p.m.

Graduate Degrees from the
Dr. Kiran C. Patel College of Allopathic Medicine
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THE ACADEMIC PROCESSION

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Processional:	
<i>Entry of the Guests</i> , from <i>Tannhäuser</i> , by Richard Wagner	
<i>Pomp and Circumstance No. 1</i> by Edward Elgar	
Presiding Officer	Harry K. Moon, M.D., FACS, FRCSEd, <i>President and Chief Executive Officer</i>
Presentation of the Colors	Nova Southeastern University ARMY ROTC
<i>The Star-Spangled Banner</i>	William J. Adams, D.M.A., <i>Vocalist, Professor,</i> <i>Halmos College of Arts and Sciences and the</i> <i>Guy Harvey Oceanographic Research Center</i>
Convening the Commencement	
Grand Marshal	Jose Victor Lopez, Ph.D., <i>Professor, Halmos College of Arts and</i> <i>Sciences and the Guy Harvey Oceanographic Research Center</i>
Welcome and Introductions	Ronald J. Chenail, Ph.D., <i>Executive Vice President,</i> <i>Provost, Chief Academic Officer, and</i> <i>Interim Senior Vice President for Research</i>
Dr. Kiran Patel College of Allopathic Medicine and Dr. Pallavi Patel School of Health Sciences	
Chad Perlyn, M.D., Ph.D., M.B.A., <i>Dean</i>	
Opening Remarks	Harry K. Moon, M.D., FACS, FRCSEd
Introduction to Commencement Speaker	Harry K. Moon, M.D., FACS, FRCSEd
Commencement Address.....	Rowan Parks, M.D., FRCSEd, FRCSI, <i>Global Surgical Leader</i> <i>and Professor of Surgical Sciences</i>
Presentation of Candidates for Degrees.....	Ronald J. Chenail, Ph.D.
Conferral of Degrees.....	Harry K. Moon, M.D., FACS, FRCSEd
Presentation of Oaths.....	Wording is in the back of the program
Anesthesia	Jermaine LeClerc, D.H.Sc., M.H.Sc., M.H.S.A., CAA, <i>Program Director and Associate Professor</i>
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Physician Assistant.....	Stacy J. Laack Valentine, DMSc, MS, PAC, <i>Program Director and Associate Professor</i>
Closing Remarks.....	Ronald J. Chenail, Ph.D.
Dismissal of the Commencement.....	Grand Marshal Jose Victor Lopez, Ph.D.
Recessional:	
<i>Triumphal March</i> , from <i>Aida</i> , by Giuseppe Verdi	

THE STAR-SPANGLED BANNER

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?

NOVA SOUTHEASTERN UNIVERSITY ANTHEM

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 praise 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!

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ORDER OF EXERCISES

May 14, 2026, at 9:30 a.m.

Graduate Degrees from the
**Dr. Kiran C. Patel College of Osteopathic Medicine and
Dr. Pallavi Patel School of Rehabilitative Sciences
(Master’s Degree only)**
Ron and Kathy Assaf College of Nursing

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Convening the Commencement	
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O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave?

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Bright sun shining new;
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Ever rising, true;

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By thy light imbue,
Service, honor, loyalty,
'til our days are through.

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Convening the Commencement	
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MAY 5, 2026,
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DANIEL COYLE is a leading voice on human potential whose work reveals how individuals and teams learn, grow, and flourish. A New York Times–bestselling author, he translates complex science into practical insights that shape leadership, culture, and performance across industries. For those entering healthcare or law, his work emphasizes that flourishing is not a luxury but a foundation for sound judgment, effective decision-making, and sustained success.

Coyle's influential books include “The Culture Code”; “The Talent Code”; “The Little Book of Talent”; “The Culture Playbook,” and, most recently, “Flourish: The Art of Building Meaning, Joy, and Fulfillment.” His books have been recognized by outlets such as Bloomberg and Business Insider and have been translated into numerous languages. Through his writing, he distills neuroscience, psychology, and case studies into clear, actionable principles that help individuals and organizations build stronger, more effective habits.

Drawing on research across a wide range of demanding environments—from elite athletes to complex situations that challenge military units, crisis response teams, and corporate executives—Coyle has identified the consistent role of connection, trust, and disciplined practice in driving success. His work highlights how everyday behaviors, such as deep listening, psychological safety, and accountability, can transform both professional performance and personal well-being.

Beyond the page, Coyle serves as an adviser to such organizations as Microsoft and Google, as well as leading schools, firms, and healthcare systems. His behind-the-scenes view of what helps groups perform under pressure also helps leaders build cultures where teams can thrive and people can flourish.

MAY 8, 2026,
MORNING CEREMONY

SCOTT PARAZYNSKI, M.D., is an explorer whose career spans the frontiers of space, medicine, and innovation. A physician, inventor, best-selling author, and former NASA astronaut, he has operated at the edge of human performance in some of the most demanding environments on Earth and beyond.

During his 17-year NASA career, Parazynski flew five Space Shuttle missions and conducted seven spacewalks, including a high-risk repair of the International Space Station, performed on a solar array from a 90-foot robotic boom and widely described as the “Apollo 13 moment” of the shuttle era. He also served as crewmate, personal physician, and research partner to Senator John Glenn on the STS-95 mission and led the first joint U.S.–Russian spacewalk. Trained at Stanford University and Stanford’s School of Medicine, he brings an interdisciplinary perspective to problem-solving through his background in emergency and aerospace medicine. In 2009, he became the first person to both walk in space and stand atop the world’s highest peak, Mount Everest, demonstrating resilience following an injury that halted his initial attempt.

After leaving NASA, Parazynski brought his experience into entrepreneurship and innovation, serving as a chief executive officer and advancing technologies in aerospace, healthcare, and surgical robotics. He was inducted into the U.S. Astronaut Hall of Fame in 2016 and released his autobiography, “The Sky Below,” in 2017. He continues to inspire future explorers through scientific expeditions to extreme environments—from high-altitude lakes in the Andes to active volcanoes in Central America—and expand access to STEM education, emphasizing resilience, teamwork, and ethical leadership.

MAY 8, 2026,
AFTERNOON CEREMONY

ALAN PETERSON, PH.D., is a scientist and clinician whose work has transformed understanding of trauma, resilience, and psychological health. An NSU alumnus and nationally recognized leader in psychological health, he has dedicated his career to improving care for individuals facing the effects of trauma.

Within days of 9/11, Peterson deployed with the U.S. Air Force, bringing his training as a clinical psychologist into war zones, where visible and invisible wounds of combat were unfolding. His philosophy grew from this experience, driving efforts to improve care for service members and veterans affected by posttraumatic stress disorder (PTSD)—which he emphasizes is not a lifelong inevitability. His research spans PTSD, traumatic brain injury, sleep disorders, chronic pain, and suicide prevention, particularly among military personnel, veterans, and first responders, with a focus on resilience, evidence-based care, and early intervention. He has helped lead landmark clinical trials adapting gold standard therapies—such as prolonged exposure and cognitive behavioral treatments—to the unique needs of active duty personnel and veterans.

Peterson is the founding director of the STRONG STAR Consortium and a founding director of the Consortium to Alleviate PTSD, a collaborative network of more than 150 investigators across over 50 institutions that has secured more than \$250 million in funding.

He serves as a professor at the University of Texas at San Antonio and holds the Aaron and Bobbie Elliott Krus Endowed Chair in Psychiatry. A board certified clinical health psychologist, prolific researcher and mentor, he continues to shape the next generation of trauma clinicians and scientists.

MAY 13, 2026, MORNING CEREMONY

SYLVIA EARLE, PH.D., is one of the most influential ocean explorers of our time. A scientist, author, advocate, and National Geographic Explorer, she is often affectionately called “Her Deepness” for her record setting dives and for devoting her life to understanding and protecting the global resource that sustains our planet. After first falling in love with the ocean as a child exploring tidepools and seagrass beds along Florida’s Gulf Coast, she went on to study marine botany and use scuba to study ocean plants firsthand, repeatedly breaking barriers in science and exploration.

She became the first woman to serve as chief scientist of the U.S. National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), led more than 100 expeditions, and logged more than 7,000 hours underwater. She has also authored more than 200 publications and helped advance the technological and scientific capabilities of deep-ocean research. In 1970, she commanded the first all female team of “aquanauts” who lived for days underwater in the Tektite II habitat, and in 1979 set a world record by walking solo on the seafloor at a depth of 1,250 feet in a JIM suit. She later cofounded Deep Ocean Engineering, which designed and built advanced submersibles.

In 2009, she founded Mission Blue to advance a global network of protected marine areas known as “Hope Spots,” working with communities, scientists, and governments to safeguard critical ecosystems. Through her research, advocacy, and mentorship, Earle continues to inspire action and a deeper sense of responsibility for the future of the planet.

MAY 13, 2026, AFTERNOON CEREMONY

ROWAN PARKS, M.D., FRCS(ED), FACS(HON), is a globally respected surgeon, educator, and healthcare leader whose influence spans clinical practice, academic medicine, and international leadership. As immediate past president of the Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh (RCSEd)—one of the world’s most respected medical institutions—he has helped shape surgical training and professional standards worldwide. He serves as a senior faculty member at the University of Edinburgh Medical School, bringing perspective on how leadership decisions translate into real-world impact.

During his tenure as president of the Royal College, Parks guided the institution through post pandemic recovery and workforce challenges while advancing priorities in surgical education and innovation. He is a professor of surgical sciences and a consultant in hepato pancreato biliary (HPB) surgery. His academic work is aligned with his clinical practice, focusing on improving patient outcomes through operative technique and perioperative care. He has authored more than 200 papers, contributed to book chapters, and edited multiple textbooks.

Parks is committed to developing the next generation of surgical leaders through education, mentorship, and global collaboration. His work as RCSEd president focused on prioritizing and developing surgical training, partnering with international organizations and training programs, and opening an innovative surgical education research and innovation hub. In 2024, he inducted NSU President Harry K. Moon into the Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh. His work with international organizations and training bodies across Asia and Africa reflects a belief that high quality care depends on strong teams, robust education, and a shared responsibility to patients.

MAY 14, 2026, MORNING AND AFTERNOON CEREMONIES

JEFFREY J. SELINGO, is a leading voice on the future of higher education, a New York Times bestselling author, and a longtime journalist. A former editor of The Chronicle of Higher Education and contributor to The Atlantic, the Washington Post, and the Wall Street Journal, he has spent more than 25 years examining how colleges and universities prepare students for an evolving workforce. His work explores career readiness, innovation in education, and the changing expectations of employers and learners. His insights help institutions and individuals navigate change and encourage graduates to think critically, adapt, and define success on their own terms.

As an author, Selingo has translated his reporting into influential books that guide students, families, and educators through key transitions. In “College (Un)Bound” and “Who Gets In and Why,” he challenges traditional assumptions about higher education and highlights the growing importance of experience, adaptability, and lifelong learning. In “There Is Life After College,” he follows graduates into the job market, demonstrating that what students do in college—from internships to mentorship—often matters more than where they enroll. His most recent book, “Dream School,” offers a research-based roadmap for finding institutions where students can thrive.

Selingo advises leaders across education and industry on how to prepare students for the future of work and compete for emerging talent. He encourages students to chart their own paths. He holds degrees from Ithaca College and Johns Hopkins University and serves on the boards of Ithaca College and the National Association of Independent Schools.

OATHS

ANESTHESIA OATH

I hereby solemnly swear in the presence of all assembled today to carry out, to the best of my abilities, the following oath:

I will strive to reduce the suffering of my patients at all times and never will I use my skills to knowingly cause injury or for any wrongdoing.

I will treat all patients with equal energy and respect for their diversity while safeguarding their privacy and honoring their right of autonomy.

I will work to be an exemplary ambassador of the anesthesiologist assistant profession and will always work to strengthen its place in the healthcare team.

ALLOPATHIC OATH

I swear to fulfill, to the best of my ability and judgment, this covenant:

I will respect the hard-won scientific gains of those physicians in whose steps I walk, and gladly share such knowledge as is mine with those who are to follow.

I will apply, for the benefit of the sick, all measures [that] are required, avoiding those twin traps of overtreatment and therapeutic nihilism. I will remember that there is art to medicine as well as science, and that warmth, sympathy, and understanding may outweigh the surgeon's knife or the chemist's drug.

I will not be ashamed to say "I know not", nor will I fail to call in my colleagues when the skills of another are needed for a patient's recovery. I will respect the privacy of my patients, for their problems are not disclosed to me that the world may know. Most especially must I tread with care in matters of life and death. If it is given me to save a life, all thanks. But it may also be within my power to take a life; this awesome responsibility must be faced with great humbleness and awareness of my own frailty. Above all, I must not play at God.

I will remember that I do not treat a fever chart, a cancerous growth, but a sick human being, whose illness may affect the person's family and economic stability. My responsibility includes these related problems, if I am to care adequately for the sick.

I will prevent disease whenever I can, for prevention is preferable to cure.

I will remember that I remain a member of society, with special obligations to all my fellow human beings, those sound of mind and body as well as the infirm. If I do not violate this oath, may I enjoy life and art, respected while I live and remembered with affection thereafter. May I always act so as to preserve the finest traditions of my calling and may I long experience the joy of healing those who seek my help.

DENTAL MEDICINE OATH

I do hereby affirm my loyalty to the profession I am about to enter.

I will be mindful always of my great responsibility to preserve the health of my patients, to retain their confidence and respect, and to perform faithfully my professional duties.

I will be ever vigilant in aiding in the general welfare of the community, sustaining its laws and institutions, not engaging in those practices which will in any way bring shame or discredit upon myself or my profession.

I will endeavor to work in accord with my colleagues in a spirit of progressive cooperation. And I will look with respect and esteem upon all those who have taught me my art.

To my college I will be loyal and strive for its best interests and for the interest of the students who will come after me.

I will ever be alert to further the application of basic biological truths and technical advances in my chosen profession, dental medicine.

OPTOMETRIC OATH

With full deliberation, I freely and solemnly pledge that:

I affirm that the health of my patient will be my first consideration.

I will practice the art and science of optometry faithfully and conscientiously, and to the fullest scope of my competence.

I will uphold and honorably promote by example and action the highest standards, ethics and ideals of my chosen profession and the honor of the degree, Doctor of Optometry, which has been granted me.

I will provide professional care for the diverse populations who seek my services, with concern, with compassion and with due regard for their human rights and dignity.

I will work to expand access to quality care and improve health equity for all communities.

I will place the treatment of those who seek my care above personal gain and strive to see that none shall lack for proper care.

I will hold as privileged and inviolable all information entrusted to me in confidence by my patients.

I will advise my patients fully and honestly of all which may serve to restore, maintain or enhance their vision and general health.

I will strive continuously to broaden my knowledge and skills so that my patients may benefit from all new and efficacious means to enhance the care of human vision.

I will share information cordially and unselfishly with my fellow doctors of optometry and other professionals for the benefit of patients and the advancement of human knowledge and welfare.

I will do my utmost to serve my community, my country and humankind as a citizen as well as a doctor of optometry.

I hereby commit myself to be steadfast in the performance of this my solemn oath and obligation.

OATHS

OSTEOPATHIC OATH

I do hereby affirm my loyalty to the profession I am about to enter.

I will be mindful always of my great responsibility to preserve the health and the life of my patients, to retain their confidence and respect both as a physician and a friend who will guard their secrets with scrupulous honor and fidelity, to perform faithfully my professional duties, to employ only those recognized methods of treatment consistent with good judgment and with my skills and ability, keeping in mind always nature's laws and the body's inherent capacity for recovery.

I will be ever vigilant in aiding in the general welfare of the community, sustaining its laws and institutions, not engaging in those practices which will in any way bring shame or discredit upon myself or my profession.

I will give no drugs for deadly purposes to any person, though it will be asked of me.

I will endeavor to work in accord with my colleagues in a spirit of progressive cooperation and never by word or by act cast imputations upon them or their rightful practices.

I will look with respect and esteem upon all those who have taught me my art.

To my college I will be loyal and strive for its best interests and for the interest of the students who will come after me.

I will ever be alert to further the application of basic truths to the healing arts and to develop the principles of osteopathy which were first enunciated by Andrew Taylor Stills.

PHARMACIST'S OATH

I promise to devote myself to a lifetime of service to others through the profession of pharmacy.

In Fulfilling this vow:

I will consider the welfare of humanity and relief of suffering my primary concerns.

I will promote inclusion, embrace diversity, and advocate for justice to advance health equity.

I will apply my knowledge, experience, and skills to the best of my ability to assure optimal outcomes for all patients.

I will respect and protect all personal and health information entrusted to me.

I will accept the responsibility to improve my professional knowledge, expertise, and self-awareness.

I will hold myself and my colleagues to the highest principles of our profession's moral, ethical and legal conduct.

I will embrace and advocate changes that improve patient care.

I will utilize my knowledge, skills, experiences, and values to prepare the next generation of pharmacists.

I take these vows voluntarily with the full realization of the responsibility with which I am entrusted by the public.

PHYSICAL THERAPY OATH

As I enter the profession of physical therapy, I solemnly and willingly pledge the following:

I will strive to demonstrate professionalism as reflected in the APTA's Core Values in all my professional and personal endeavors.

I will respect the rights and dignity of all individuals and will provide compassionate care.

I will be trustworthy in all aspects of physical therapy practice.

I will place the welfare of my patients above my own self-interest.

I will provide accurate and relevant information to patients about their care and to the public about physical therapy services.

I will exercise sound judgment and comply with the laws and regulations that govern physical therapy and will protect the public from unethical, incompetent, and illegal acts.

I will maintain professional competence and promote high standards for physical therapy practice, education, and research.

I will address the health needs of society and strive to effect changes that benefit patients and the community.

I will contribute to the body of knowledge that is physical therapy.

I will respect the rights, knowledge, and skills of colleagues and other health care professionals and seek consultation whenever the welfare of the patient may be advanced.

Thus, with this pledge, I freely accept the responsibilities that accompany the academic preparation for, and the practice of, physical therapy.

PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT OATH

I pledge to perform the following duties with honesty and dedication:

I will hold as my primary responsibility the health, safety, welfare, and dignity of all human beings.

I will uphold the tenets of patient autonomy, beneficence, nonmaleficence, and justice.

I will recognize and promote the value of diversity.

I will treat equally all persons who seek my care.

I will hold in confidence the information shared in the course of practicing medicine.

I will assess my personal capabilities and limitations, striving always to improve my medical practice.

I will actively seek to expand my knowledge and skills, keeping abreast of advances in medicine.

I will work with other members of the healthcare team to provide compassionate and effective care of patients.

I will use my knowledge and experience to contribute to an improved community.

I will respect my professional relationship with the physician.

I will share and expand knowledge within the profession.

These duties are pledged with sincerity and upon my honor.

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, for example, 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 discernible 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 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. Those individuals with a doctoral degree wear a hood four feet in length, open at the bottom, with a five-inch border.

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. The gown 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

Students wear cords, pins, sashes, and medallions that reflect institutional and national academic honors as well as campus leadership, service, and engagement.

COLOR OF HOODS

The colors found on the hoods worn in the academic procession represent the candidate's discipline of study.

Arts, Letters, Humanities	White
Accounting, Business.....	Drab
Biomedical Science.....	Gold
Clinical Vision Research	Aqua
Dentistry	Lilac
Developmental Disabilities	Citron
Education.....	Light Blue
Law	Purple
Medicine.....	Kelly Green
Music	Pink
Nursing	Apricot
Occupational Therapy	Rhodes Blue
Optometry	Mint Green
Oratory (Speech)	Silver Gray
Pharmacy.....	Olive Green
Philosophy, Political Science	Dark Blue
Public Administration, Human Services, Physical Therapy, and Criminal Justice.....	Peacock
Public Health	Salmon
Science	Bright Yellow
Sports Science	Sage Green

