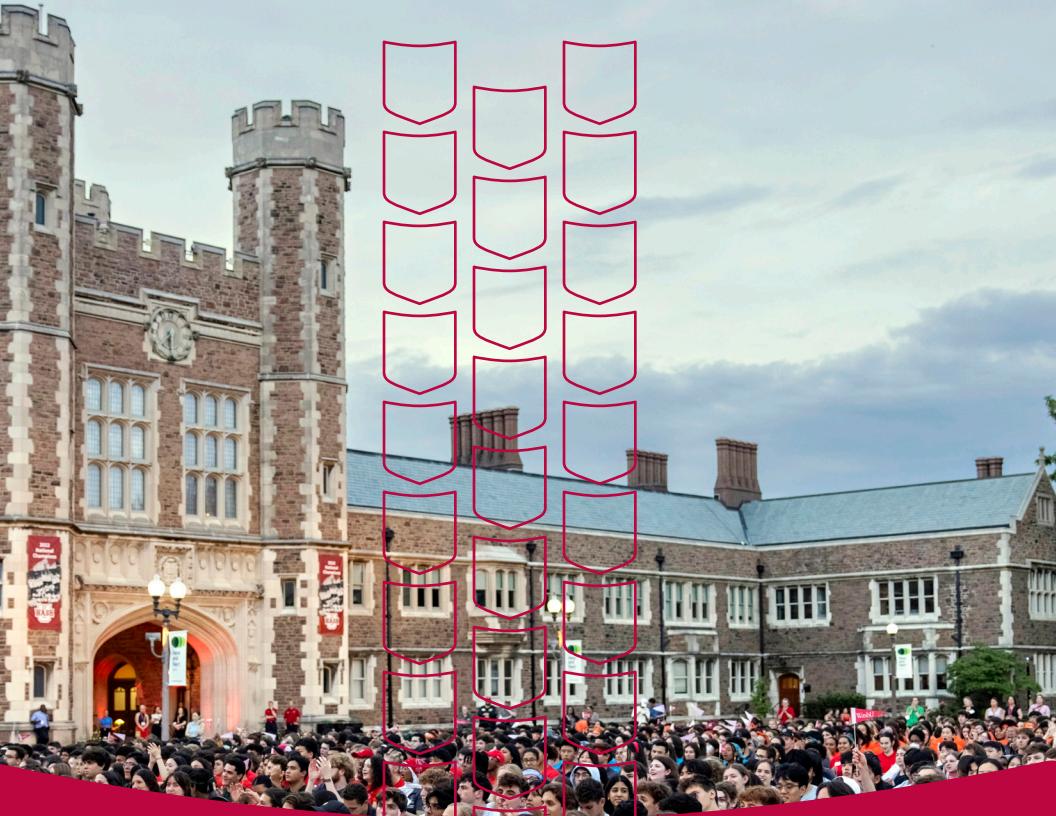


CONVOCATION

August 23, 2025 | 7:00 pm | Brookings Quadrangle



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ORDER OF EXERCISES

PROCESSIONAL

REMARKS

Ronné Patrick Turner
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Chancellor

Andy Zhu
Student Speaker, Class of 2026

ALMA MATER

Juana Derdoy
Student Singer, Class of 2026

RECESSIONAL

Please join us in Tisch Park for music, food, and festivities!

STUDENT SHIRT COLORS

New students can be identified by the color of their T-shirt.

Residential Community	Shirt color
Gregg & Lien (Brookings)	Royal Blue
Eliot A & Eliot B (Eliot)	Purple
Hitzeman, Hurd & Myers (HIG)	Orange
Shanedling, Dauten & Rutledge (JKL)	Turquoise
Lee & Beaumont (LeeBeau)	Yellow
Liggett & Koenig (LK)	Maroon
Park & Mudd (ParkMudd)	Black
Umrath & Zetcher (UmZee)	Light Blue
Dardick & Nemerov (WayCrow)	Red
Danforth, Shepley & Wheeler (WGE)	Forest Green

PLATFORM PARTY

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ARTS & SCIENCES

Feng Sheng Hu
Richard G. Engelmann Dean of Arts & Sciences
Professor of Biology and of Earth, Environmental, and Planetary Sciences
Lucille P. Markey Distinguished Professor in Arts & Sciences

Amanda Carey
Dean's Fellow for Educational Initiatives
Teaching Professor in Spanish

William J. Maxwell
Fannie Hurst Professor of Creative Literature

Erin McGlothlin
Vice Dean of Undergraduate Affairs
Gloria M. Goldstein Professor of Holocaust Studies
Professor of German and Jewish Studies

Robert Pampel
Director of Student Academic Affairs & Associate Dean

McKELVEY SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING

Aaron F. Bobick

Dean & James M. McKelvey Professor

Yifan Dai

Assistant Professor of Biomedical Engineering

J. Chris Kroeger

Associate Dean for Undergraduate Student Services

Janet Sorrells

Assistant Professor of Electrical & Systems Engineering

Jay Turner

Vice Dean for Education

James McKelvey Professor of Engineering Education

OLIN BUSINESS SCHOOL

Michael J. Mazzeo

Dean and Knight Family Professor

David Ahn

Professor of Economics

Julie Fu

Assistant Professor of Finance

Paige LaRose

Senior Associate Dean & Director of Undergraduate Programs

SAM FOX SCHOOL OF DESIGN & VISUAL ARTS

Carmon Colangelo

Ralph J. Nagel Dean, Sam Fox School of Design & Visual Arts
E. Desmond Lee Professor for Collaboration in the Arts

Joseph Fitzpatrick

Associate Dean of Students

Amy Hauft

Director, College & Graduate School of Art
Jane Reuter Hitzeman and Herbert F. Hitzeman, Jr. Professor of Art

Aki Ishida

Sam and Marilyn Fox Professor & Director, College of Architecture and
Graduate School of Architecture & Urban Design

BEYOND BOUNDARIES

Jennifer Harpring

Director, Beyond Boundaries Program
Teaching Professor at the Brown School

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FACULTY FELLOWS

Marlon M. Bailey

Apartments North Residential Community

Professor and Associate Chair of African and African-American Studies

Professor of Women, Gender & Sexuality Studies

Flora Cassen

Thomas H. Eliot Residential Community

Chair of Jewish, Islamic & Middle Eastern Studies

Associate Professor of Jewish, Islamic & Middle Eastern Studies and History

Associate Professor of History

Kia L. Davis

Wayman Crow Residential Community

Assistant Professor of Surgery

El Hadji Samba Diallo

Park & Mudd Residential Community

Senior Lecturer in African and African-American Studies

Catalina Freixas

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Associate Professor, Architecture and Urban Design

Adam Kepecs

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Professor of Psychiatry

Luis Alejandro Salas

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Associate Professor of Classics

Director of Undergraduate Studies in Classics

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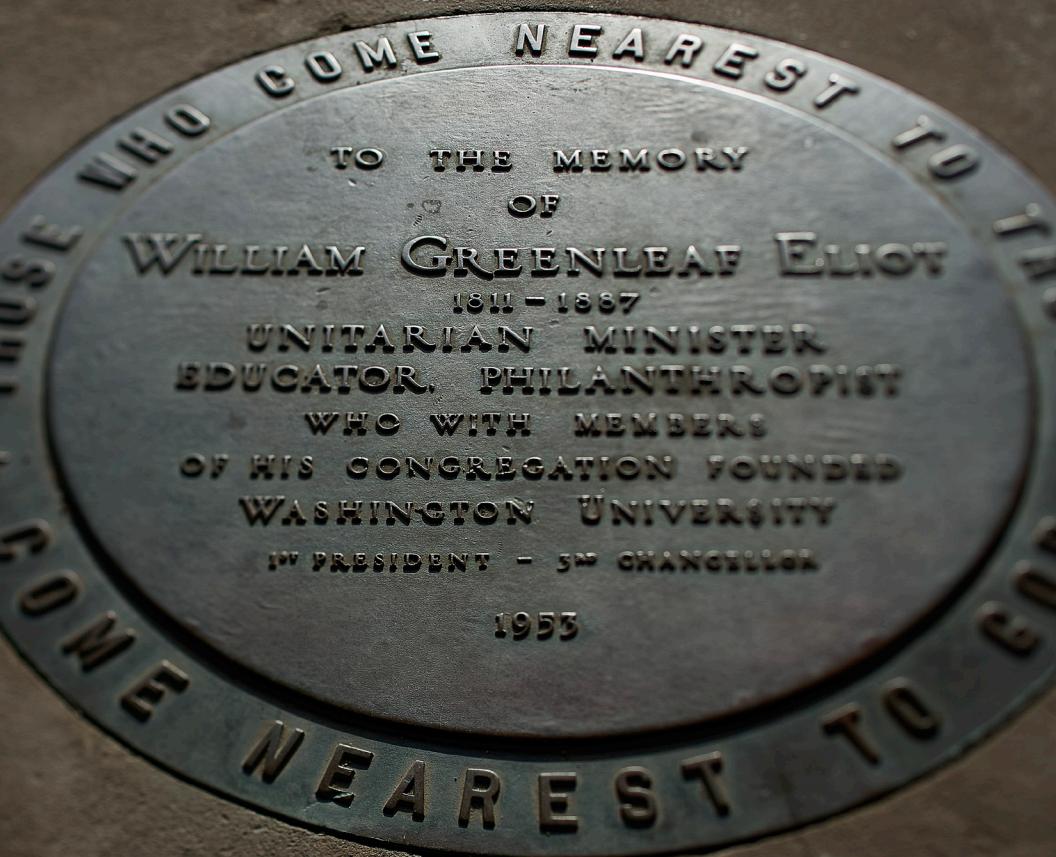
Robert S. Brookings Residential Community

Senior Lecturer of Energy, Environmental & Chemical Engineering

Joe Steensma

William Greenleaf Eliot Residential Community

Professor of Practice in Public Health and Environmental Studies



WASHU TRADITIONS

William Greenleaf Eliot Seal

The plaque embedded in the ground beneath the Brookings Hall archway honors Washington University's founder, first chairman of the board, and the third chancellor, William Greenleaf Eliot. The plaque was given to the university during the centennial celebrations in 1953 by the First Unitarian Church of St. Louis. Student lore states that anyone who walks on the seal will not graduate in four years. As you process to the east end of campus after Convocation, you will see that we have placed stanchions around the seal to ensure no new students accidentally step on the seal in advance of their Commencement date.



University Seal and Motto

The university seal was developed in 1896 by Holmes Smith, professor of drawing and history of art, using elements from the coat of arms of George Washington (after whom the university is named) and fleurs-de-lis, the symbol of King Louis IX, patron and namesake of St. Louis. The seal was officially adopted by the Board of Trustees in March 1897. The university's motto, which appears inside an open book in the middle of the university seal, is *Per Veritatem Vis*, "Strength through Truth." The motto was adopted in 1915. The current version of the official university seal was created in 2000, incorporating the same elements.



ALMA MATER

Dear Alma Mater,

Thy name is sweet to me.

Our hearts are all for thee

Fair Washington.

Thy halls shall honored be

Throughout this great country

For all eternity, Our Washington.

Those days of youth which

All of us spent with thee

Form a dear history,

Fair Washington.

Could they renewed be,

We'd live our days with thee

For all eternity, Our Washington.



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