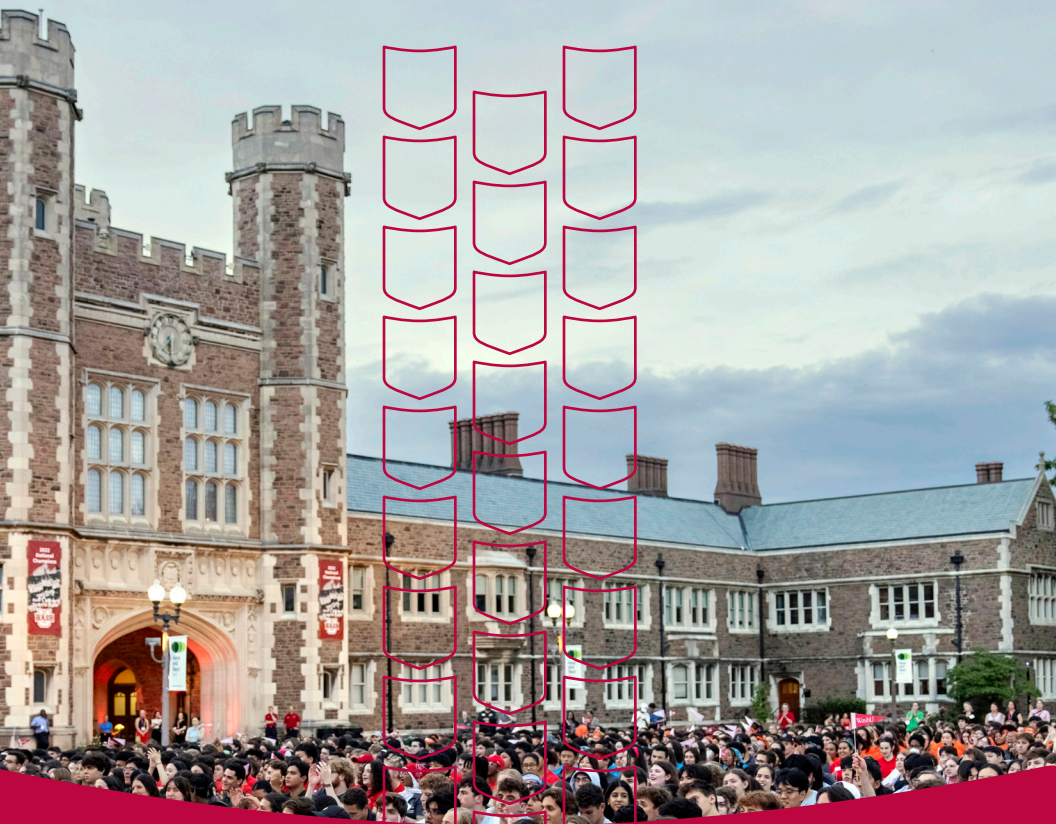


# CONVOCATION

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



WashU



# ORDER OF EXERCISES

## PROCESSIONAL

### REMARKS

Ronné Patrick Turner  
Vice Provost for Admissions & Financial Aid

Anna Gonzalez  
Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs

Andrew D. Martin  
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

Gregg & Lien (Brookings)  
Eliot A & Eliot B (Eliot)  
Hitzeman, Hurd & Myers (HIG)  
Shanedling, Dauten & Rutledge (JKL)  
Lee & Beaumont (LeeBeau)  
Liggett & Koenig (LK)  
Park & Mudd (ParkMudd)  
Umrath & Zetcher (UmZee)  
Dardick & Nemerov (WayCrow)  
Danforth, Shepley & Wheeler (WGE)

### Shirt color

Royal Blue  
Purple  
Orange  
Turquoise  
Yellow  
Maroon  
Black  
Light Blue  
Red  
Forest Green

## PLATFORM PARTY

Andrew D. Martin  
Chancellor

Mark West  
Provost

Anna Gonzalez  
Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs

Ronné Patrick Turner  
Vice Provost for Admissions & Financial Aid

Andy Zhu  
Student Speaker, Class of 2026

Juana Derdoy  
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## ARTS & SCIENCES

Feng Sheng Hu  
Richard G. Engelsmann 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 Hautt**

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

## **UNIVERSITY COUNCIL**

**Nichol L. Luoma**

Executive Vice Chancellor for Administration and  
Chief Administrative Officer

**Monica J. Allen**

Vice Chancellor & General Counsel

**James Dwyer**

Vice Chancellor for University Services

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Vice Chancellor for Marketing & Communications

**Andrew Knight**

Senior Advisor to the Chancellor for Leadership

**Mary McKernan McKay**

Executive Vice Provost

**Gwendalyn J. Randolph**

Emil R. Unanue Distinguished Professor

## **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**

Liggett & Koenig Residential Community  
Associate Professor, Architecture and Urban Design

**Adam Kepecs**

Thomas H. Eliot Residential Community  
Robert J. Terry Professor of Neuroscience  
Professor of Psychiatry

**Luis Alejandro Salas**

Umrath & Zetcher Residential Community  
Associate Professor of Classics  
Director of Undergraduate Studies in Classics

**Trent Silbaugh**

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.

