

103.3 WODS-FM



Graduation Ceremony Schedule

Amherst College

Sunday, May 23 at 10 a.m. on the Main Quad

Speaker: Anthony W. Marx, college president

Expected graduates: 436

Degrees: Bachelor of Arts

Honorary degrees: Zackie Achmat, South African activist and founder of the Treatment Action Campaign, an AIDS/HIV advocacy group; Joshua M. Epstein, director of the Center on Social and Economic Dynamics; Walter Dean Myers, author; Sir Paul Nurse, geneticist and Nobel laureate; Harvey J. Rosenfield, founder of Consumer Watchdog; Mary Jo Salter, poet, playwright, lyricist, and essayist; Dame Marjorie Scardino, chief executive officer of Pearson PLC; Jimmy Wales, co-founder of Wikipedia

Anna Maria College

Saturday, May 15 at 10 a.m. at the Hanover Theatre for the Performing Arts (Worcester)

Speaker: Larry Lucchino, Red Sox president and chief executive officer

Expected graduates: 203

Degrees: Associate of Arts, Associate of Science, Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Science, Bachelor of Music

Honorary degrees: Lucchino; Sr. Constance Gosselin, former Provincial Superior for the Sisters of Saint Anne; Sr. Jeannette Robichaud (posthumous), Sister of Saint Anne

Assumption College

Saturday, May 15 at 10 a.m. at the H.L. Rocheleau Athletic Field

Speaker: Very Rev. Richard Lamoureux, Superior General of the Augustinians of the Assumption

Expected graduates: 605

Degrees: Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Science, Bachelor of Business Administration, Bachelor

of Liberal Arts

Honorary degrees: Francis Carroll, Small Business Service Bureau chairman and chief executive officer; Donald H. D'Amour, chairman and chief executive officer of Big Y Foods Inc.; Michele D'Amour, educational partnership administrator of Big Y Foods, Inc.

Atlantic Union College

Sunday, May 9 at 10 a.m.

Babson College

Saturday, May 15 at 10 a.m. at the Upper Athletic Fields

Speaker: William E. Strickland Jr., president and chief executive officer of Manchester Bidwell Corporation

Expected graduates: 400

Degrees: Bachelor of Science

Honorary degree: John J. Fernandes, president and chief executive officer of Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business

Bay Path College

Sunday, May 16 at 1 p.m. on the Longmeadow Campus

Speaker: Michael J. Kittredge, founder of Yankee Candle Co.

Expected graduates: 370 undergraduate, 200 graduate

Degrees: Associate in Arts, Associate in Science, Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Science, Master of Business Administration, Master of Science, Master of Occupational Therapy

Honorary degrees: Kittredge; Helen Davis Blake, Bay Path benefactor and retired teacher; James W. Coghlin Sr., senior chairman and coach of Coghlin Companies Inc.

Bay State College

Sunday, May 23 at 11 a.m. at the Berklee Performance Center

Speaker: Alan Khazei, co-founder of City Year and founder of Be the Change Inc.

Expected graduates: 157

Degrees: Associate Degrees, Bachelor of Science

Becker College

Saturday, May 8 at 11 a.m. at the Hanover Theatre for the Performing Arts (Worcester)

Speaker: US Representative Richard E. Neal

Expected graduates: 350

Degrees: Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Science

Honorary degrees: Neal; Mary DeFeudis, investor, philanthropist, and a director of the Hanover Theatre; Laura Andrassy, director of the Andrassy Family Foundation; Barbara A. and Edward J. Wilson, co-founders of Wilson Language Training

Benjamin Franklin Institute of Technology

Saturday, May 22 at 10 a.m. at the auditorium

Speaker: Steve Pagliuca, managing director of Bain Capital and co-owner of the Boston Celtics

Bentley University

Saturday, May 15 at 10 a.m. on South Campus

Speaker: Suze Orman, financial adviser

Expected graduates: 1,073

Degrees: Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Science

Honorary degrees: Orman; Jack Cumming, chairman and executive officer of Hologic Inc.

Berklee College of Music

Saturday, May 8 at 10 a.m. at Agganis Arena, Boston University

Speaker: Kenneth Gamble, songwriter and producer

Expected graduates: 860

Degrees: Bachelor's of Music

Honorary degrees: Gamble; Leon Huff, songwriter and producer; Paco de Lucia, composer and guitarist; Angelique Kidjo, singer-songwriter and activist; Kenny Barron, jazz pianist

Boston Architectural College

Saturday, May 29 at 11 a.m. at the Old South Church, Boston

Boston Baptist College

Wednesday, May 26 at 5 p.m. at Faneuil Hall

Speaker: Dr. Douglas Stuart, professor at Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary

Expected graduates: 25

Degrees: Bachelor of Biblical Studies

Honorary degrees: None

Boston College

Monday, May 24 at 10 a.m. at the Alumni Stadium

Speaker: Jeffrey Immelt, chairman and chief executive officer of General Electric

Expected graduates: 2,269 undergraduate students, 1,090 graduate students

Degrees: Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Science, Bachelor of Sacred Theology, Master's Degrees

Honorary degrees: Immelt; Anthony Bryk, president of The Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching; John Harrington, Yawkey Foundations chairman and former Red Sox chief executive officer; Sister Mary Hart, of St. Katharine Drexel Parish in Roxbury; Joy Moore, deputy head of academy at the Oprah Winfrey Leadership Academy for Girls in South Africa; Cardinal Cormac Murphy-O'Connor, former president of the Catholic Bishops' Conference of England and Wales

Boston Conservatory

Friday, May 14 at 2 p.m. at the Back Bay Events Center

Speakers: Emanuel Azenberg, Broadway producer; Bruce Marks, former artistic director of the Boston Ballet

Expected graduates: 175

Degrees: Bachelor of Music, Bachelor of Fine Arts, Master of Music

Honorary degrees: Azenberg and Marks

Boston University

Sunday, May 16 at 1 p.m. at Nickerson Field

Speaker: Eric H. Holder Jr., US attorney general

Expected graduates: 6,000

Degrees: Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Science, Masters, Doctorate, Certificate of Advanced Study

Honorary degrees: Holder; Edward Albee, playwright; William T. Coleman Jr., senior partner and counselor in O'Melveny & Myers LLP; Osamu Shimomura, Nobel laureate and BU School of Medicine professor emeritus

Brandeis University

Sunday, May 23 at 10:30 a.m. at the Gosman Sports and Convocation Center

Speaker: Michael B. Oren, Israeli ambassador to the US

Expected graduates: 826 undergraduate students, 837 graduate students

Degrees: Undergraduate, graduate, and professional degrees

Honorary degrees: Michael B. Oren; Paul Farmer, co-founder of Partners In Health; Judith S. Kaye, former Chief Judge of New York; Antonio Munoz Molina, award-winning Spanish author; Dennis B. Ross, American diplomat and author; Paul Simon, singer and songwriter

Cambridge College

Sunday, June 13 at 11 a.m. at the Bank of America Pavilion

Speaker: Dr. Tito Guerrero, III, Cambridge College president

Expected graduates: 1,700

Degrees: Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Science, Master of Education, Master of Management, Master of Psychology and Counseling, Doctorate of Education, Certificate of Advanced Graduate Studies

Honorary degrees: Soledad O'Brien, television journalist; Eileen M. Brown, chancellor and founder of Cambridge College

Clark University

Sunday, May 23 at 1:30 p.m. at the Jefferson Academic Center Green

Speaker: Richard F. Celeste, president of Colorado College

Expected graduates: 534 undergraduate students, 471 graduate students

Degrees: Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Science, Master of Arts, Master of Science, Master of Business Administration, Master of Public Administration, PhD

Honorary degrees: Celeste; Dr. Jessie Gruman, founder and president of the Center for Advancing Health; James Welu, director of the Worcester Art Museum; D'Army Bailey, civil rights activist and retired circuit court judge in Tennessee

College of the Holy Cross

Friday, May 28 at 10:30 a.m. at Fitton Field (Hart Center Basketball Arena in case of rain)

Speaker: Mike Shriver, vice president and managing director of Save the Children

Expected graduates: 700

Degrees: Bachelor of Arts

Honorary degrees: Shriver; Rev. William A. Barry, author; Rev. Sally Bingham, Episcopal priest

and Canon for the Environment in the Diocese of California; Sidney Callahan, author and scholar

Curry College

Sunday, May 16 at 10 a.m. at the D. Forbes Will Athletic Complex

Speaker: Richard J. Daniels, president and chief executive officer of GateHouse Media New England

Expected graduates:

Degrees: Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Science, Master of Arts in Criminal Justice, Master of Business Administration, Master of Education

Honorary degrees: Daniels; Suzin Bartley, executive director of the Children's Trust Fund

Dean College

Saturday, May 8 at 11 a.m. at Grant Field

Speaker: Dr. Paula Rooney, Dean College president

Expected graduates: 296

Degrees: Associate in Arts, Associate in Science, Bachelor of Arts

Eastern Nazarene College

Saturday, May 15 at 2:30 p.m. on the lawn (gym in case of rain)

Speaker: Tom Nees, founder and director of Leading to Serve Inc.

Expected graduates: 150

Degrees: Associates, Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Science, Master of Science, Master of Art

Emerson College

Monday, May 17 at 11 a.m. at the Citi Performing Arts Center (The Wang Theatre)

Speaker: Bernard Cornwell, historical novelist

Expected graduates: 850

Degrees: Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Science, Bachelor of Fine Arts

Honorary degrees: Cornwell; Melvin B. Miller, founder, publisher, and editor of the Bay State Banner

Emmanuel College

Saturday, May 8 at 11 a.m. on campus

Speaker: Paul Farmer, co-founder of Partners In Health

Expected graduates: 550

Degrees: Bachelor of Fine Arts, Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Science, Master of Science, Master of Arts, Master of Education, Certificate of Advanced Graduate Studies

Honorary degrees: Joseph Corcoran, community leader in real estate development; Reverend Dr. Ray Hammond, founder and pastor of Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church in Boston; Victoria Reggie Kennedy, president of Common Sense about Kids and Guns, widow of Senator Edward M. Kennedy; Maureen and Frank Wilkens

Endicott College

Saturday, May 15 at 10:30 a.m. at the Endicott Stadium

Speaker: Keisha Nash Whitaker, model, television host, and filmmaker

Expected graduates: 615

Degrees: Associate in Arts, Associate in Science, Bachelor of Science, Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Fine Arts, Master of Education, Master of Science, Master of Business Administration

Honorary degrees: Whitaker; Eijk van Otterloo, founding partner of Grantham, Mayo, Van Otterloo, & Co.; Rose-Marie van Otterloo, investor and philanthropist

Episcopal Divinity School

Thursday, May 20 at 2 p.m. at the First Church, Cambridge

Speaker: Marshall Ganz, lecturer at the Harvard Kennedy School

Expected graduates: 26

Degrees: Master of Divinity, Master of Arts in Theological Studies, Doctor of Ministry, Graduate Certificate

Honorary degrees: Ganz; Rt. Rev. Ian T. Douglas, bishop of the Diocese of Connecticut; E. Denise Simmons, former mayor of Cambridge

Fisher College

Saturday, May 15 at 10 a.m. at the Back Bay Events Center

Speaker: Jim Braude, NECN host and co-host of a radio talk show on 96.9 FM

Expected graduates: 200

Degrees: Associate of Arts, Associate of Science, Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Science

Honorary degrees: Anita Salmu, Fisher College alumna

Franklin W. Olin College of Engineering

Sunday, May 16 at 3 p.m. on the Olin College Great Lawn

Speaker: Kathleen Stephens, US Ambassador to South Korea

Expected graduates: 85

Degrees: Bachelor of Science in Electrical and Computer Engineering, Bachelor of Science in Engineering, Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering

Gordon College

Saturday, May 15 at 10 a.m. on the campus quad

Speaker: Jim Cymbala, pastor of the Brooklyn Tabernacle

Expected graduates: 344 undergraduate students, 52 graduate students

Degrees: Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Science, Bachelor of Music, Master of Education, Master of Music Education

Hampshire College

Saturday, May 22 at 11 a.m. at the Harold F. Johnson Library Lawn

Speaker: Peter Cole, poet and translator

Expected graduates: 320

Degrees: Bachelor of Arts

Harvard University

Thursday, May 27 at 9:45 a.m. at the Tercentenary Theatre

Speaker: David H. Souter, former US Supreme Court justice

Honorary degrees: TBA on May 27

Hebrew College

Sunday, June 6 at 10 a.m. at Congregation Mishkan Tefila, Chestnut Hill

Speaker: Edgar Bronfman, philanthropist and former chief executive officer of the Seagram Company Ltd.

Expected graduates: 66

Degrees: Certificates, bachelor degrees, master degrees, and ordinations in several religious fields

Honorary degrees: Bronfman; Betty Brudnick, founder of the Brudnick Center for the Study of Conflict and Violence at Northeastern University, and the Brudnick Neuroscientific Research Institute at the University of Massachusetts Medical School in Worcester; Paula E. Hyman, Yale professor of modern Jewish history and president of the American Academy of Jewish Research

Hellenic College – Holy Cross School of Theology

Saturday, May 15

Lasell College

Sunday, May 16 at 11 a.m. at Taylor Field

Speaker: Josh Kraft, president and chief executive officer of the Boys & Girls Club of Boston

Expected graduates: 231 undergraduate students, 27 graduate students

Degrees: Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Science, Master of Science

Honorary degree: Kraft

Lesley University

Wednesday, May 19 at 10:30 a.m. at the Boston Convention and Exhibition Center

Speaker: Arne Duncan, US secretary of education

Expected graduates: 487 undergraduate students, 2244 graduate students

Degrees: Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Science, Bachelor of Fine Arts, Master of Education, Doctor of Philosophy, Certificate of Advance Graduate Study

Honorary degrees: Victoria Reggie Kennedy, president of Common Sense about Kids and Guns; Chinua Achebe, poet, novelist, and Brown University professor; Roz Chast, New Yorker cartoonist; Edward M. Kennedy, late US senator

Longy School of Music

Sunday, May 16 at 2 p.m. at the Edward M. Pickman Concert Hall

Speaker: Mark Morris, dancer and choreographer

Expected graduates: 6 undergraduate students, 79 graduate students

Degrees: Undergraduate Diploma, Master of Music, Graduate Performance Diploma, Dalcroze Certificate, Dalcroze License and Artist Diploma

Marian Court College

Wednesday, May 26 at 6 p.m. on campus

Speaker: Valerie Reyes, corporate trainer for Exit Realty

Expected graduates: 70

Degrees: Associate Degrees, Certificates

Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences, Boston campus

Friday, May 14 at 10 a.m. at the Seaport World Trade Center

Expected graduates: 531

Speaker: Richard E. Griffin, founder of Critical Care Systems, Inc.

Degrees: Bachelor of Science, Bachelor of Science in Nursing, Bachelor of Science in Dental Hygiene, Bachelor of Science in Radiologic Science, Master of Science, Master of Applied Natural Products, Master in Physician Assistant Studies, Doctor of Pharmacy, PhD, Post Baccalaureate

Honorary degree: Griffin

Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences, Worcester/Manchester campus

Saturday, May 15 at 1:30 p.m. at the DCU Center

Speaker: Michael F. Collins, MD, Chancellor of University of Massachusetts Medical School

Expected graduates: 206

Degrees: Bachelor of Science in Nursing, Doctor of Pharmacy

Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Friday, June 4 at 9:45 a.m. at Killian Court

Speaker: Raymond S. Stata, chairman and co-founder of Analog Devices, Inc.

Degrees: Bachelor's, master's, doctorates

Massachusetts School of Law

Friday, June 4 at 5 p.m. at Collins Center, Andover

Speaker: Phillip Rapoza, Chief Justice of the Massachusetts Appeals Court

Expected graduates: 160

Degrees: Juris Doctor

Honorary degree: Rapoza

Merrimack College

Sunday, May 23 at 10:30 a.m. at the Volpe Athletic Center

Speaker: Ron Hansen, author

Expected graduates: 509

Degrees: Associate in Arts, Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Science, Master of Education

Honorary degrees: Hansen; Rev. James A. Wenzel, Director of the Center for Augustinian Study and Legacy at Merrimack College; H. Bridget (Scanlon) Shaheen, Executive Director of Lazarus House Ministries in Lawrence

MGH Institute of Health Professions

Saturday, May 8 at 2 p.m. at the Hynes Convention Center

Speaker: Edward O'Neill, University of California San Francisco professor and director of the Center for Health Professions

Expected graduates: 353

Degrees: Bachelor of Science, Doctorate, Master of Science, Post-Baccalaureate Certificate, Certificate of Advanced Study

Montserrat College of Art

Friday, May 28 at 10 a.m. at the Cabot Street Cinema Theatre

Speaker: Barry Moser, illustrator

Expected graduates: 60

Degrees: Bachelor of Fine Arts

Honorary degree: Moser

Mount Holyoke College

Sunday, May 23 at 10:30 a.m. at the Richard Glenn Gettell Amphitheater (Kendall Field House in case of rain)

Speaker: Gail Collins, author and New York Times columnist

Expected graduates: 600

Degrees: Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Science

Honorary degrees: Collins; Joanne V. Creighton, outgoing Mount Holyoke president; Sheila Barshay Goldbloom, educator, social worker, and activist; Victoria Hale, world health entrepreneur

Mount Ida College

Friday, May 21 at 11 a.m., lower athletic field

Speaker: Dr. Carol J. Matteson, retiring president of Mount Ida College

Expected graduates: 280

Degrees: Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Science

Honorary degrees: David B. Cohen, former mayor of Newton; Reverend Gloria E. White-Hammond, M.D., founder of Do the Write Thing, a creative writing and mentoring program

New England College of Optometry

Friday, May 28 at 10 a.m. at the Back Bay Events Center

Speaker: Dr. Lu Fan, Wenzhou Medical College in China; Dr. Randolph Brooks, president of American Optometric Association

Expected graduates: 118

Degrees: Doctor of Optometry, Master of Science in Vision Science

Honorary degrees: Dr. Lu Fan; Dr. Randolph Brooks

New England Conservatory

Sunday, May 23 at 3 p.m. at Jordan Hall

Speaker: Alex Ross, music critic for The New Yorker

Expected graduates: 240 undergraduate and graduate students

Degrees: Bachelor of Music, Master of Music, Doctor of Musical Arts, Graduate Diploma

Honorary degrees: Ross, Quincy Jones, music conductor, record producer, musical arranger, and film composer; Roger Kellaway, pianist and composer; Karen Tuttle, violinist and teacher; Louis Andriessen, composer

Newbury College

Sunday, May 16 at 11 a.m. on campus

Nichols College

Saturday, May 8 at 10:30 a.m. on the college's softball field

Speaker: US Senator Scott Brown

Expected graduates: 355

Degrees: Associate of Business Administration, Bachelor of Science in Business Administration, Bachelor of Arts, Master of Business Administration, Master of Leadership

Honorary degrees: Brown; Dominic C. Varisco, Nichols trustee from 2003-2010 (posthumous)

Northeastern University

Friday, May 7 at 10:30 a.m. at TD Bank Garden

Speaker: Kenneth Chenault, chief executive officer and chairman of American Express

Expected graduates: 3,231

Degrees: Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Science

Honorary degrees: Vartan Gregorian, president of Carnegie Corporation; Victoria Reggie

Kennedy; C.K. Prahalad, professor of strategy at the University of Michigan; Harold Hongju

Koh, legal adviser to US State Department and former dean of Yale Law School

Pine Manor College

Sunday, May 9 at 11 a.m. on the commencement lawn

Speakers: Gloria Reuben, actress and social activist; Trish Karter, co-founder of Dancing Deer Baking Company; Cornelia Kubler Kavanagh, sculptor

Expected graduates: 50

Degrees: Bachelor of Art, Bachelor of Science

Honorary degrees: Kubler Kavanagh, Karter, and Reubens

Quincy College

Saturday, May 22 at 1 p.m. at the Quincy Marriot

Speaker: Carmen Mariano, president of Archbishop Williams High School

Expected graduates: 245

Degrees: Associate in Science, Associate in Arts, Certificate

Regis College

Saturday, May 15 at 10 a.m. in the Tower Gardens

Speakers: Rev. Carney Gavin, archaeologist; Dr. Lydia Villa-Komaroff, Chief Scientific Officer at Cytonome

Expected graduates: 324 undergraduate students, 147 graduate students

Degrees: Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Science, Bachelor of Social Work, Master of Science, Master of Arts, Post-master's certificate in nursing, Doctorate in Nursing Practice

Honorary degrees: Gavin and Villa-Komaroff

School of the Museum of Fine Arts

Sunday, May 23 at 4 p.m. at the Berklee College of Music

Speakers: Cindy Kleine, filmmaker, and graduate of school; student speaker, Merideth Hillbrand

Expected graduates: 134 undergraduate students, 70 graduate students

Degrees: Bachelor of Fine Arts, Master of Fine Arts, Postbaccalaureate Certificate, Fifth Year Certificate, Diploma

Simmons College

Friday, May 14 at 10 a.m. at the Bank of America Pavilion

Speaker: Dr. Elizabeth Alexander, poet

Expected graduates: 530

Degrees: Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Science

Honorary degrees: Alexander; Dr. Beverly Malone, chief executive officer of the National League for Nursing; Roslyn Jaffe, co-founder of Dress Barn; Brewster Kahle, computer scientist; Frances Moore Lappe, author and social activist; Dr. Marion Walter, former Simmons mathematics professor

Smith College

Sunday, May 16 at 10 a.m. on the campus quad

Speaker: Rachel Maddow, MSNBC political analyst

Expected graduates: 733 undergraduate students, 85 graduate students

Degrees: Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Science, Master of Education of the Deaf, Diploma in American Studies, Master of Science, Master of Education, Master of Arts in Teaching, Master of Fine Arts, Master of Arts

Honorary degrees: Maddow; Martha Myers, dance composer and teacher; Victoria “Tori” Murden McClure, first woman to row solo across the Atlantic Ocean, first woman to ski to the geographic South Pole; Peggy M. Shepard, co-founder and executive director of We Act for Environmental Justice; Princess Basma Bint Talal of Jordan, advocate for women and children

Springfield College

Sunday, May 16 at 9:30 a.m. at MassMutual Center

Speaker: Alexander Wolff, Sports Illustrated writer

Expected graduates: 660

Degrees: Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Science

Honorary degree: Wolff

Stonehill College

Sunday, May 23 at 10 a.m. on the quadrangle lawn (Sally Blair Ames Sports Complex in case of rain)

Speaker: John “Jack” Connors Jr., advertising executive

Expected graduates: 540

Degrees: Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Science, Bachelor of Science in Business Administration

Honorary degrees: Connors; Bishop Norbert Strotmann, of the Diocese of Chosica in Lima, Peru; Rev. Robert J. Kruse, priest in the Congregation of Holy Cross for 50 years; Rita Welch, nursing home industry pioneer

Suffolk University

Sunday, May 23 at 2 p.m. at the Bank of America Pavilion

Speaker: Paul Farmer, co-founder of Partners In Health

Expected graduates: 1,192 undergraduate students; 723 graduate students

Degrees: Bachelor’s, master’s, doctoral

Honorary degree: Farmer

Tufts University

Sunday, May 23 at 9 a.m. on the Green

Speaker: Sol Gittleman, Tufts professor and former provost

Expected graduates: 1,348 undergraduate students, 1,740 graduate students

Degrees: Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Science, Bachelor of Science in Engineering, Master of Arts, Master of Science, Master of Fine Arts, Master of Engineering, Doctor of Philosophy, Doctor of Medicine, Doctor of Dental Medicine, Doctor of Veterinary Medicine

Honorary degrees: Gittleman; Richard Dorsay, retired professor of radiology and retired chief of radiology at Kaiser Hospital in South San Francisco; Kristina M. Johnson, under secretary of energy, former provost at the Johns Hopkins University; Ann Hobson Pilot, first African-American principal in the Boston Symphony Orchestra; Gordon S. Wood, Pulitzer Prize-winning historian

Wellesley College

Friday, May 28 at 10:30 a.m. on the academic quad

Speaker: Lynn Sherr, broadcast journalist

Expected graduates: 600

Degrees: Bachelor of Arts

Wentworth Institute of Technology

Sunday, May 16 at 10 a.m. on the quad

Speaker: Michael Maltzan, architect and design principal of Michael Maltzan Architecture

Expected graduates: 200 undergraduate students, 84 graduate students

Degrees: Associate Degree in Applied Science, Bachelor of Science, Master of Architecture

Honorary degree: Maltzan

Wheaton College

Saturday, May 22 at 10 a.m. on the Dimple (Haas Athletic Center in case of rain)

Speaker: Ann Curry, NBC "Today" anchor

Expected graduates: 379

Degrees: Bachelor of Arts

Honorary degrees: Curry; Edward William Brooke, III, first African-American elected by popular vote to the US Senate; Diana Davis Spencer, long-time Wheaton trustee and current trustee emerita; Dr. Gillian Shepherd Mestre, allergist

Wheelock College

Friday, May 21 at 11 a.m. at Temple Israel, Boston

Speaker: Paul Reville, Massachusetts secretary of education

Expected graduates: 140 undergraduate students, 71 graduate students

Degrees: Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Science, Bachelor of Social Work, Master of Science, Master of Social Work

Honorary degrees: Reville; Robert A. Lincoln, senior vice president of Boston Trust & Investment Management Company; Susan Bruml Simon, founder of Admissions Advantage

Williams College

Sunday, June 6 at 10 a.m. on the West College Lawn

Speaker: Jay McInerney, author

Honorary degrees: McInerney; Martha Coakley, Massachusetts attorney general; G. Wayne Clough, secretary of the Smithsonian Institution; Adam F. Falk, 17th president of Williams College; Stephanie Wilson, astronaut

Worcester Polytechnic Institute

Saturday, May 15 at 11 a.m. on the campus quad (Harrington Auditorium in case of rain)

Speaker: Curt Schilling, retired Red Sox pitcher and founder of 38 Studios

Expected graduates: 765 undergraduate students, 440 graduate students

Degrees: Bachelor of Science, Master of Business Administration, Master of Engineering, Master of Mathematics for Education, Master of Science, Doctor of Philosophy

Honorary degrees: Schilling; John Bassett, outgoing Clark University president; Angela Belcher, MIT materials scientist; Gordon Lankton, Nypro Inc. chairman

Berkshire Community College

Friday, June 4 at 4:30 p.m., Tanglewood Music Center, Lenox

Expected graduates: 318

Degrees: Associates of Arts, Associate of Science, certificates

Bridgewater State College

Saturday, May 15 at 10:30 a.m. at the Boyden Quadrangle

Speaker: Ambassador Samir Sumaida'ie, Iraq's ambassador to the United States

Expected graduates: About 1,000

Degrees: Bachelor of Arts and Science in the arts and sciences, business, and education and allied studies

Honorary degrees: Judith Block McLaughlin, director of the Higher Education Program at Harvard University and a former trustee of Bridgewater State College

Bristol Community College

Saturday, June 5 at 11 a.m. on the Commencement Green

Expected graduates: approximately 900

Degrees: Associate in Arts, Associate in Science, Associate in Applied Science, Certificate of Achievement

Honorary Degrees (first-ever awarded by BCC): the late Senator Edward Kennedy

Bunker Hill Community College

Saturday, June 5 at 11 a.m. under the tent on the Charlestown Campus

Speaker: Dr. Benjamin S. Carson, director of the Division of Pediatric Neurosurgery at Johns Hopkins Hospital and Presidential Medal of Freedom recipient

Expected graduates: approximately 815

Degrees: Associate of Arts, Associate of Science, certificates

Cape Cod Community College

Thursday, May 27 at 4 p.m. at the Cape Cod Melody Tent

Speaker: Governor Deval Patrick

Expected graduates: approximately 575

Degrees: Associate of Arts, Associate of Science, certificates
Honorary Degree: US Representative William D. Delahunt

Fitchburg State College

Saturday, May 22 at 10 a.m. on the quad (Recreation Center in the event of rain)
Speaker: Dr. Patrice K. Nicholas ('77), director of Global Health and Academic Partnerships at Brigham and Women's Hospital
Expected graduates: approximately 450
Degrees: Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Science
Honorary degree: Nicholas

Framingham State College

Sunday, May 16 at 2 p.m. at the Town of Framingham Green
Speaker: Governor Deval Patrick
Graduates: approximately 600
Degrees: Bachelor of Art, Bachelor of Science
Honorary degree: Patrick

Greenfield Community College

Sunday, June 6 at 12 p.m., under a tent on the main campus athletic fields
Speakers: Robert L. Pura, college president; Greg Vouros, professor of anthropology; Sara Ann Laffond, Student Senate president, Liberal Arts/Education; Gaius Brandt Slosser, student, nursing
Expected graduates: 265
Degrees: Associate of Arts, Associate of Science, certificates

Holyoke Community College

Saturday, May 22 at 10 a.m. on the O'Connell Soccer Field
Speakers: Student orators Alexander N. Pangborn ('10), Tyrra L. Minto ('10), and Janice M. Daley ('10)
Expected graduates: approximately 1,000
Degrees: Associate of Arts, Associate of Science, certificates

Massachusetts Bay Community College

Thursday, May 27 at the Wellesley Hills Campus
Speaker: Alan Khazei, founder and CEO of Be The Change, Inc., founder of City Year, and candidate for US Senate in 2009-10
Expected graduates: approximately 600
Degrees: Associate of Arts, Associate of Science, certificates

Massachusetts College of Art and Design

Saturday, May 22 at 1 p.m. at Evans Way park
Speakers: Lowery Stokes Sims, curator; Josh Randall, senior creative director at Harmonix Music Systems Inc.
Expected graduates: approximately 325 receiving bachelor's degrees, 35 master's degrees

Degrees: Bachelor of Fine Arts, Master of Fine Arts, Master of Science in Art Education
Honorary degrees: Sims

Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts

Saturday, May 22 at 11 a.m. in the Amsler Campus Center Gymnasium

Speaker: Anita F. Hill, attorney and Brandeis University professor of social policy, law and women's studies

Expected graduates: 327 bachelor's degrees, 27 master's degrees, 2 certificates

Degrees: Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Science, Master of Education, Certificate of Advanced Graduate Study

Honorary Degrees: Hill; Foster Devereux, business executive and former MCLA trustee; Stephen Hannock, Academy Award-winning painter; Josetta Owen ('65), educator and community volunteer

Massachusetts Maritime Academy

Saturday, June 19 at 10 a.m. on the Parade Field

Speakers: Alan S. McKim, CEO of Clean Harbors Environmental Services; Judith Nitsch, President of Nitsch Engineering (charge to the class)

Expected graduates: 206 undergraduates, 44 graduates

Degrees: Bachelor of Science, Master of Science

Honorary Degrees: McKim and Nitsch; John Austin III, former Mass Maritime trustee; Representative Patricia Haddad, state representative for the fifth Bristol district

Massasoit Community College

Friday, June 4 at 6 p.m. in the Asiaf Field House on the Brockton Campus

Expected graduates: 535

Degrees: Associate of Arts, Associate of Science, Associate of Applied Science, Medical Assistant Certificate, Dental Assistant Certificate

Honorary degrees: Manthala George Jr., former superintendent of Brockton Public Schools; Jordan Rich of WBZ NewsRadio.

Middlesex Community College

Thursday, May 27 at 10 a.m. at Lowell Memorial Auditorium

Speaker: Liz Murray, subject of the Lifetime Television movie "Homeless to Harvard: The Liz Murray Story"

Expected graduates: 1,100

Degrees: associate's, certificates

Mount Wachusett Community College

Thursday, May 20 at 6 p.m. in the college's Fitness & Wellness Center

Expected graduates: 911

Degrees: Associate of Arts, Associate of Science, certificates

Speaker: Joyce Landry, co-founder and CEO of Landry & Kling Inc., a Miami-based company specializing in cruise event services

Honorary degrees: James D. Murphy (posthumously), chairman emeritus of MWCC's board of

trustees and first chairman of the board; former member, president and vice president of the Massachusetts Community College Association; community activist and volunteer

North Shore Community College

Thursday, May 27 at 6 p.m. at Salem State College's O'Keefe Center

Speaker: Karen Andreas, publisher of The Salem News

Expected graduates: 1,000

Degrees: Associate of Arts, Associate of Science, Associate of Applied Science, certificates

Northern Essex Community College

Saturday, May 22, 11 a.m., at the Haverhill Campus quadrangle

Speaker: Dan Lyons ('83), technology columnist for Newsweek

Student speaker: Nigel Mainville of Amesbury, international relations

Expected graduates: 1,069

Degrees: Associate of Arts, Associate of Science, certificates

Quinsigamond Community College

Thursday, May 20 at 4 p.m., main campus soccer field

Speaker: Joseph O'Brien, mayor of Worcester

Number of graduates: approximately 800

Degrees: Associate of Arts, Associate of Science, Certificates

Roxbury Community College

Friday, May 21 at 1 p.m. at the Reggie Lewis Track and Athletic Center

Speaker: Setti Warren, Mayor of Newton and first popularly elected black mayor of Massachusetts

Expected graduates: approximately 210 associate's degrees, 30 certificates

Degrees: Associate of Arts, Associate of Science, certificates

Salem State College – Undergraduate School of Arts & Sciences

Saturday, May 22 at 10 a.m. at the O'Keefe Center

Speaker: Michael S. Dukakis, former Massachusetts governor and 1988 U.S. presidential candidate

Expected graduates: 375

Degrees: Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Science, Bachelor of Fine Arts, Bachelor of Liberal Studies

Honorary Degrees: Carole E. Simpson, journalist and ABC news anchor and senior correspondent; Dr. Mallika Marshall (Simpson's daughter), physician and former CBS News and WBZ medical anchor and correspondent

Salem State College – Undergraduate Bertolon School of Business and Schools of Human Services

Saturday, May 22 at 3 p.m. at the O'Keefe Center

Speaker: Paul Levy, president and CEO of Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center

Expected graduates: 546

Degrees: Bachelor of Science, Bachelor of Social Work

Honorary Degrees: James and Karen Ansara, philanthropists

Springfield Technical Community College

Thursday, June 3 at 6:30 p.m. at the MassMutual Center

Speaker: STCC President Ira H. Rubenzahl

Degrees: Associate of Arts, Associate of Science, Associate of Applied Science, certificates

Honorary Degrees: Ronald Grodsky, president of Harry Grodsky & Co. Inc.

University of Massachusetts Amherst

Saturday, May 15 at 10 a.m. at McGuirk Alumni Stadium

Speaker: Sheila C. Bair, FDIC chairman

Expected graduates: 4,200

Degrees: Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Science

University of Massachusetts Boston

Friday, June 4 at 9:30 a.m. on the Campus Center lawn

Speaker: Victoria Reggie Kennedy, wife of the late Senator Edward M. Kennedy and long-time advocate for women, children and families

Expected graduates: 2,141 undergraduates; 1,105 graduates

Degrees: Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Science, Master of Arts, Master of Science, Master of Business Administration, Master of Education, Doctor of Education, Doctor of Philosophy, Certificate of Advanced Graduate Study, Post-Master's Certificate

Honorary Degrees: Kennedy; George A. Russell Jr., executive vice president and director of community affairs for State Street Corporation; Daisaku Ikeda, a Buddhist leader and founder of the Ikeda Center for Peace, Learning, and Dialogue

University of Massachusetts Dartmouth

Sunday, May 23 at 10:15 a.m. at Vietnam Veterans Peace Memorial Amphitheater

Speaker: José Ramos-Horta, the President of East Timor and a Nobel Peace Laureate

Expected graduates: approximately 1,100

Degrees: Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Science, Bachelor of Fine Arts

Honorary degrees: Ramos-Horta; Julia Plotnick, former U.S. Assistant Surgeon General and global health advocate; Gerald Mauretti ('65), president and founder of EY Technologies

University of Massachusetts Lowell

Saturday, May 29 at 10 a.m. at the Tsongas Center

Speaker: Roger Goodell, National Football League commissioner

Expected graduates: About 30 associate's, 1,400 bachelor's, 650 master's, 100 doctorates

Degrees: Associate of Science, Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Science, Bachelor of Science in Engineering, Bachelor of Engineering Technology, Bachelor of Fine Arts, Bachelor of Liberal Arts, Master of Arts, Master of Business Administration, Master of Science, Master of Science in Engineering, Master of Education, Certificate of Advanced Graduate Studies, Doctor of Science, Doctor of Education, Doctor of Engineering, Doctor of Nurse Practice, Doctor of Philosophy, Doctor of Physical Therapy

Honorary degrees: Goodell, accepting for his father, the late US Senator Charles Goodell; Doris Kearns Goodwin, presidential historian and Pulitzer Prize-winning author; Richard N. Goodwin, presidential speechwriter and adviser to John F. Kennedy, Lyndon B. Johnson and Robert

Kennedy; Gloria Ladson-Billings, pedagogical philosopher, scholar and educational author; Alan P. Lightman, physicist, novelist and author

University of Massachusetts Medical School — Worcester

Sunday, June 6 at 1 p.m. under a tent on the campus green

Speaker: Harold E. Varmus, MD, president of Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center in New York, former director of the National Institutes of Health and co-recipient of the 1989 Nobel Prize in Medicine

Expected graduates: 176

Degrees: master's, PhD, MD, MD/PhD, Doctor of Nursing Practice

Honorary Degree: Varmus; Mary C. DeFeudis, local philanthropist; Michael Horgan, former chief executive officer and registrar of the Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland

Westfield State College

Saturday, May 22, at 10:30 a.m. at Westfield State College Green on Western Avenue

Speaker: Byron Pitts, author and CBS News correspondent

Expected graduates: 1,200 undergraduates, 180 graduates

Degrees: Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Science, Bachelor of Science in Education, Bachelor of Social Work, Master of Arts, Master of Science, Master of Education, Master of Public Administration, Certificate of Advanced Graduate Program

Honorary Degrees: Pitts; Roxanne Spillett, president and CEO of Boy