



## SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY NEWS

### Syracuse University's 160th Commencement Fact Sheet

The main ceremony will be held at the Carrier Dome Sunday, May 11, beginning with the degree candidates procession at 9:30 a.m. Graduates of the SUNY College of Environmental Science and Forestry (SUNY-ESF) will participate in the 117th Commencement of that college.

Pulitzer Prize-winning author David Remnick, editor of *The New Yorker*, will deliver the Commencement address to the class of 2014 starting at approximately 10:45 a.m.

Syracuse University will confer approximately **5,155** degrees (inclusive of bachelor's, master's, doctoral and associate's degree, but not including law).

SU College of Law degrees (ceremony on 5/9/14): **212** Juris Doctor and **9** Master of Laws.

SUNY-ESF will confer approximately **575** degrees (inclusive of bachelor's, master's and doctoral degrees).

This year's three honorary degree recipients are:

- Bruce M. Alberts—Doctor of Science
- Commencement speaker David Remnick—Doctor of Humane Letters
- Roy Simmons Jr.—Doctor of Humane Letters

The two all-University Senior Class Marshals leading graduates at the 2014 Commencement exercises are Stephen Rathbun and Leo Wong. Rathbun of North Syracuse is a sport management major in the David B. Falk College of Sport and Human Dynamics. Wong is from Los Angeles and an advertising major in the S.I. Newhouse School of Public Communications.

In addition to the two all-University marshals, 23 student marshals represent the 13 schools and colleges at Syracuse University; ESF is also represented by two student marshals. They were chosen on the basis of leadership abilities, participation in extracurricular activities, service to the University and academic achievement. The marshals will lead the degree candidates of their respective schools or colleges.

Twelve seniors have been designated as Syracuse University Scholars and three as ESF Scholars. This is the highest academic award given to undergraduate students.

It is the first ceremony for Syracuse University Chancellor Kent Syverud. Vice Chancellor and Provost Eric F. Spina will preside.

Mace Bearer is Nancy Weatherly Sharp, professor emerita of newspaper journalism in the S.I. Newhouse School of Public Communications.

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University Marshal is Shiu-Kai Chin, professor of electrical engineering and computer science in the College of Engineering and Computer Science.

Associate University Marshal is Kelly Chandler-Olcott, professor and chair of reading and language arts in the School of Education.

More than 70 faculty members and administrators serve as Commencement marshals.

Music is provided by the Syracuse University Brass Ensemble under the direction of James Spencer, professor of chemistry in the College of Arts and Sciences. Carolyn Steinberg, a graduating senior who will receive a bachelor's degree in music education will sing the national anthem. Matthew Hernandez, a graduating senior who will receive a bachelor's degree in vocal performance from the College of Visual and Performing Arts, will conclude the ceremony with the singing of the alma mater.

John Hottenstein, professor emeritus of television, radio and film in the S.I. Newhouse School of Public Communications, will be the announcer.

The Commencement ceremony is being webcast live at **[sugrad.syr.edu](http://sugrad.syr.edu)**. WSYR-TV digital 9.2 (Time Warner Ch. 890; Verizon FiOS Ch. 470; NewVisions Ch. 23) will also broadcast the majority of the ceremony starting at 9:30 a.m.

Commencement hashtag is #SUGrad14.

Transcripts of speeches, video and photography will be posted at **[news.syr.edu](http://news.syr.edu)**.

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