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ORDER OF EXERCISES

PRE-PROCESSIONAL

The William & Mary Wind Ensemble
Richard C. Marcus, Director of Bands

OPENING VIDEO

PROCESSIONAL: THE WILLIAM & MARY HYMN

The William & Mary Choir
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The President

GREETINGS FROM TRIBAL LEADERSHIP

Patawomeck Tribal Council Member Danny Brad Hatch M.A. '09

THE DRAPERS' COMPANY

Thomas Harris, Master of the Drapers' Company

GREETINGS FROM THE CHANCELLOR

Chancellor Robert M. Gates '65, L.H.D. '98

CONFERRAL OF THE HONORARY DEGREES

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Jeffrey B. Trammell '73

William & Mary Rector 2011-2013

Lonnie G. Bunch III

Secretary of the Smithsonian Institution

CHARTER DAY REMARKS

Lonnie G. Bunch III

REMARKS FROM THE PRESIDENT

RECOGNIZED STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS HAPPY BIRTHDAY VIDEO

CLEFTOMANIACS HAPPY BIRTHDAY MASHUP

ALMA MATER*

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RECESSIONAL: THE WILLIAM & MARY HYMN

The William & Mary Choir

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

William & Mary acknowledges the Indigenous peoples who are the original inhabitants of the lands our campus is on today — the Cheroenhaka (Nottoway), Chickahominy, Eastern Chickahominy, Mattaponi, Monacan, Nansemond, Nottoway, Pamunkey, Patawomeck, Upper Mattaponi, and Rappahannock tribes — and pay our respect to their tribal members past and present.

Tribes Processing and Their Representatives

Cheroenhaka Nottoway Indian Tribe

Chief Walt Red Hawk Brown
Council Chief Man Thomas G. Hines, Jr. '77

Chickahominy Indian Tribe

Second Assistant Chief Reginald Stewart
Secretary and Councilwoman Vanessa Y. Adkins '19

**Chickahominy Indian Tribe—
Eastern Division**

Tribal Council Member Joe Howard

Nansemond Indian Tribe

Assistant Chief David Hennaman

Nottoway Indian Tribe of Virginia

Chief Lynette Allston
Tribal Council Chair Denise Walters

Patawomeck Indian Tribe of Virginia

Tribal Council Member Danny Brad Hatch M.A. '09
Tribal Citizen Jack Hatch '22

Upper Mattaponi Indian Tribe

Chief W. Frank Adams
Assistant Chief Lou Wratchford



DRAPERS' COMPANY

Incorporated by Royal Charter in 1364, the Drapers' Company is one of the Great Twelve Livery Companies of the City of London. The Company ceased direct involvement in the drapery trade in the 17th century and has evolved into a philanthropic charity. The Company's partnership with the university was sparked in the 1940s. In 2014, the Drapers' Company received the Lord Botetourt Award in recognition of its extraordinary generosity and enduring friendship to the university.

The Company's investment has significant impact on countless young scholars. The "Drapers' Scholar," an annual scholarship for a graduating William & Mary Law School student, supports one year of postgraduate study at Queen Mary University of London. The Company partners with William & Mary to offer the Timothy J. Sullivan Scholarship, supporting undergraduate study abroad at selected universities in the United Kingdom while honoring the university's 25th president, and to fund an exchange program between the Virginia Institute of Marine Science and Bangor University in North Wales.



PAST PRESIDENTS

REVEREND JAMES BLAIR (1693–1743) | REVEREND WILLIAM DAWSON (1743–1752) | REVEREND WILLIAM STITH (1752–1755) | REVEREND THOMAS DAWSON (1755–1760) | REVEREND WILLIAM YATES (1761–1764) | REVEREND JAMES HORROCKS (1764–1771) | REVEREND JOHN CAMM (1771–1777) | BISHOP JAMES MADISON (1777–1812) | REVEREND JOHN BRACKEN (1812–1814) | JOHN AUGUSTINE SMITH (1814–1826) | WILLIAM HOLLAND WILMER (1826–1827) | REVEREND ADAM EMPIE (1827–1836) | THOMAS RODERICK DEW (1836–1846) | ROBERT SAUNDERS, JR. (1847–1848) | BISHOP JOHN JOHNS (1849–1854) | BENJAMIN S. EWELL (1854–1888) | LYON G. TYLER (1888–1919) | JULIAN A.C. CHANDLER (1919–1934) | JOHN S. BRYAN (1934–1942) | JOHN E. POMFRET (1942–1951) | ALVIN D. CHANDLER (1951–1960) | DAVIS Y. PASCHALL (1960–1971) | THOMAS A. GRAVES, JR. (1971–1985) | PAUL R. VERKUIL (1985–1992) | TIMOTHY J. SULLIVAN (1992–2005) | GENE R. NICHOL (2005–2008) | W. TAYLOR REVELEY, III (2008–2018)

28TH PRESIDENT OF WILLIAM & MARY

Katherine A. Rowe

On February 20, 2018, William & Mary's Board of Visitors unanimously elected Katherine A. Rowe as the 28th president of the university. A nationally recognized innovator in higher education, Rowe champions the liberal arts, entrepreneurship and pathways to careers. She began on July 1, 2018. In November 2021, the Board unanimously approved an early extension of her contract, through June 2028.

Under Rowe's leadership, William & Mary has advanced access and affordability, holding tuition flat for five years, from 2019–2023. Her cross-university initiatives include a central Entrepreneurship Hub, a Studio for Teaching & Learning Innovation, realization of William & Mary's long-planned Memorial to the Enslaved, a Veteran to Executive Transition program and an Institute for Integrative Conservation. William & Mary successfully closed its *For the Bold* campaign in June 2020, raising just over \$1 billion.

Rowe oversaw the creation of William & Mary's ambitious strategic plan, Vision 2026, via an inclusive, multiyear process. During the first planning phase, the community crafted William & Mary's first-ever values statement. Consistent with Vision 2026's goals, Rowe announced in 2022 a commitment to cover full tuition and fees for all undergraduate in-state Pell Grant recipients.

President Rowe led William & Mary's effective COVID-19 response, joining forces with the City of Williamsburg and other local partners. In August of 2020, William & Mary reconvened in-person learning, uninterrupted — flexibly adapting every university practice and system to ensure that students could maintain momentum to their degrees. Key institutional innovations were launched during the pandemic: enhanced career development for students, a unified approach to communications and marketing and a whole-university Council for Community Partnerships.

Rowe serves on the Northern Virginia Technology Council, the Virginia Business and Higher Education Council Board, RVA757 Connects, the Virginia American Revolution 250 Commission and the GoVA Region 5 Council. She was named to the Virginia Business Virginia 500 Power List in 2020, 2021, 2022 and 2023. In 2020, *Diverse: Issues in Higher Education* named Rowe one of the top 35 women in higher education.

Previously, Rowe served as provost and dean of faculty at Smith College in Massachusetts. Earlier in her career, Rowe co-founded and served as the CEO of Luminary Digital Media, which developed educational apps for Shakespeare's plays.

Rowe holds a bachelor's degree from Carleton College and a master's and a Ph.D. from Harvard University. She has completed graduate work in Cinema and Media Studies at New York University's Tisch School of the Arts.

An award-winning teacher, Rowe spent 16 years at Bryn Mawr College as an English professor, department chair and director of the Katharine Hepburn Center for leadership and public engagement. She began her teaching career as an assistant professor of English at Yale. Prior to arriving at William & Mary, she held the Sophia Smith chair at Smith College.

Rowe has published three books and has editing credits in the acclaimed Cambridge Guide to the Worlds of Shakespeare. She is a past president of the Shakespeare Association of America.

Rowe spent more than a decade coaching Ultimate Frisbee. She was a World Ultimate Club Finalist and a Women's Nationals Finalist. She co-founded the nonprofit Boston Ultimate Disc Alliance and the Carleton College women's Ultimate team.

Rowe shares her love of Ultimate with her spouse, Bruce Jacobson, William & Mary's First Gentleman. They have two adult children, Daniel and Beah.



PAST CHANCELLORS

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24TH CHANCELLOR OF WILLIAM & MARY

Robert M. Gates '65, L.H.D. '98

Robert M. Gates '65, L.H.D. '98, William & Mary's 24th Chancellor, is the first alumnus to hold this position in the university's modern era. He began his first seven-year term as Chancellor in 2012 and began a second term in 2019. As the U.S. Secretary of Defense from 2006 to 2011, he became the only secretary in American history to serve under presidents from different political parties. In his words, William & Mary instilled in him "a calling to serve — a sense of duty to community and country that this university has sought to instill in each generation of students for more than 300 years."

Gates began a career in public service soon after his graduation from William & Mary. In 1966, he joined the CIA, working for six presidents during nearly 27 years as an intelligence officer. During this period, he was a National Security Council staff member for nine years. Gates is the only career officer in the CIA's history to rise from being an entry-level employee to become Director of Central Intelligence, a post he held from 1991 to 1993. He was previously deputy director of the CIA and assistant to the president and deputy national security advisor at the White House for President George H.W. Bush. In 2006, Gates took office as the nation's 22nd Secretary of Defense under President George W. Bush and was asked to continue in that office by President Barack Obama.

In June 2011, Gates retired as Secretary of Defense. At the farewell ceremony, President Obama awarded him the Presidential Medal of Freedom, the country's highest civilian honor. He has also received the National Security Medal and the Presidential Citizens Medal. Gates was awarded the National Intelligence Distinguished Service Medal twice and the Distinguished Intelligence Medal, the CIA's highest award, three times.

A history major at William & Mary, Gates was an active member of Alpha Phi Omega, a service organization that he led as a senior. At graduation, he received the Algernon Sydney Sullivan Award, given to honor splendid characteristics of heart, mind and helpfulness to others. He has been a trustee of the William & Mary Foundation and spoke at Charter Day in 1998 and 2013, as well as Commencement in 2007. He received an honorary Doctor of Humane Letters from the university in 1998 and the Alumni Medallion, the William & Mary Alumni Association's highest honor, in 2000. In 2022, he launched the inaugural Gates Forum at William & Mary, hosted by the Gates Global Policy Center in partnership with the university's Global Research Institute.

A native of Kansas, Gates earned his master's degree in history from Indiana University and a doctorate in Russian and Soviet history from Georgetown University. From 2002 until 2006, he was president of Texas A&M University. Gates is a distinguished Eagle Scout and served as the Boy Scouts of America national president from 2014-2016. Gates served on the Board of Governors of the NCAA from 2020 through 2023 as one of its five independent members. In the fall of 2021, he chaired the Constitution Committee, delivering a new constitution to reshape collegiate athletics.

Gates has authored four books, including his memoirs and a guide to leadership and institutional reform. His most recent book, "Exercise of Power," details nonmilitary instruments of power and their incorporation into U.S. foreign policy. Gates and his wife, Becky, live in Washington state.

The background of the entire page is a photograph of a large, multi-story university building with a central clock tower and a pedimented entrance. The image is covered with a semi-transparent green overlay. The text is centered in white.

HONORARY DEGREE RECIPIENTS



HONORARY DEGREE CITATION

JEFFREY BEVIS TRAMMELL '73

Jeffrey Bevis Trammell, you are distinguished by courageous leadership in public affairs. An alumnus and former Rector of William & Mary, you exemplify the very best of this university.

You recall growing up in a small town in Florida that your family had two passions: basketball and politics. Both would play a role in bringing you to William & Mary in 1969 as a transfer student.

You knew you had found your academic home when you visited the university and discovered a close-knit community of engaged faculty and students. "That," you would later say, "is one of the differentiators about William & Mary ... It allows its alumni to have that sense of 'I'm supposed to do something with this. I'm not just going to sit on the sidelines.'"

You received a basketball scholarship at William & Mary and rose to become team captain. In 1972, you were named all-conference. You studied history and served as president of the university's chapter of the Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity.

After graduation, you played basketball internationally and earned your law degree before launching an illustrious career in public affairs. For years you worked on Capitol Hill, including as counsel to the chair of the House Subcommittee on Health and the Environment. You became senior managing director of public affairs for Hill & Knowlton and then founded Trammell and Company, a Washington, D.C.-based consulting firm. You have dedicated your working life to bettering opportunities for your fellow citizens.

Your expertise has been widely sought by Fortune 500 companies, political campaigns and boards. From 2000 to the present you have advised six presidential campaigns. You have served on the boards of the Colonial Williamsburg Foundation, the Human Rights Campaign and the LGBTQ Victims Remembrance Project for the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum.

So too, Alma Mater is fortunate to benefit from your insight. You were appointed to William & Mary's Board of Visitors in 2005 and reappointed in 2009. In 2011, you were elected rector, becoming the country's first openly gay board chair at a major university. Your tenure sharpened William & Mary's focus on our mission: to provide preeminent learning experiences while maintaining a public university's commitment to affordability.

In 2022, you were instrumental in creating the Archive of American LGBTQ Political and Legal History at William & Mary. Established in memory of historian John Boswell '69, the archive is a first in the United States and affirms this university's commitment to telling a fuller account of U.S. history. The archive collects hundreds of pages of original, declassified materials critical to the movement for civil equality.

Jeffrey Bevis Trammell, never content to sit on the sidelines, you have played an active role in strengthening our democracy for future generations. For your leadership and service, Alma Mater proudly honors you now and for all times coming. By the virtue of the power vested in me by the Board of Visitors and the Ancient Royal Charter of The College of William & Mary in Virginia, I hereby confer upon you the degree of Doctor of Public Service, *Honoris Causa*.



HONORARY DEGREE CITATION

Lonnie Griffith Bunch III

Lonnie Griffith Bunch III, you have transformed both our capital's landscape and our understanding of this nation's identity and history. You set out to create "a place that would make America better," a source of civic power, bringing people together across differences. In realizing James Baldwin's famous words "history is literally present in all that we do," you have redefined the role of museums in this republic.

Raised in Belleville, New Jersey, you discovered from your parents and grandparents the value of education. You learned not only from the history books your grandfather read to you but also by listening in on the adult conversations in your backyard. In those discussions, you have recalled, "there was always a moment of optimism." That sense of promise inspired your "belief that all things are possible" and conviction to confront wrongs.

After completing studies at American University, you launched a renowned career, with appointments at the California African American Museum in Los Angeles, the National Air & Space Museum and the National Museum of American History. In 2001, you became president of the Chicago Historical Society. You have served on the Committee for the Preservation of the White House, with bipartisan appointments from Presidents George W. Bush and Barack Obama.

You were named founding director of the Smithsonian's National Museum of African American History and Culture in 2005. You began with only one staff member, no funding and no home for your museum. A 2019 Harvard Business Review case study wrote, you "made a way out of no way." Your fundraising efforts yielded more than \$250 million. In 2016, the 400,000-square-foot museum opened to international acclaim. Speaking at the dedication ceremony, then-President Obama said, "It is an act of patriotism to understand where we've been. And this museum tells the story of so many patriots."

Today, the museum is a model for how truth can overcome partisan divisions. It houses a collection of 40,000 objects. It is distinguished as the first "green building" on the National Mall and ranks among the Smithsonian's most visited sites.

In 2019, you became the 14th Secretary of the Smithsonian. You have said, "I want to reach new audiences, shape education and have the Smithsonian become more of a forum for ideas." Through discovery and expansive storytelling, you position museums as catalysts for community engagement and civic growth.

Your achievements have been widely recognized throughout the country and world. Your contributions to American culture and history have been celebrated with the Freedom Medal from the Roosevelt Institute, the W.E.B. Du Bois Medal from Harvard University's Hutchins Center and the National Equal Justice Award from the NAACP's Legal Defense Fund. In 2020, you received the Dan David Prize from Tel Aviv University, the world's largest history prize. Just one year later, you received France's highest award, The Legion of Honor.

Lonnie Griffith Bunch, your patriotism in sharing the stories of our country's history and people is inspiring. The Alma Mater of the Nation proudly honors you in our Year of the Arts. By the virtue of the power vested in me by the Board of Visitors and the Ancient Royal Charter of The College of William & Mary in Virginia, I hereby confer upon you the degree of Doctor of Humane Letters, *Honoris Causa*.

ALUMNI MEDALLION RECIPIENTS



The highest and most prestigious award given by the William & Mary Alumni Association, the Alumni Medallion recognizes outstanding alumni for commitment, dedication and assistance to William & Mary; exemplary accomplishments in their professional lives; and leadership in civic engagement in their communities, states or nations. The award reflects the honor that recipients bring to the university and its alumni through their actions and contributions.

THE ALUMNI MEDALLION AWARDS WILL BE BESTOWED AT THE ALUMNI MEDALLION & SERVICE AWARDS CEREMONY ON SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 10, AT 10 A.M. IN COMMONWEALTH AUDITORIUM AT THE SADLER CENTER. AFTER THE CEREMONY, A RECEPTION WILL BE HELD AT 11:30 A.M. IN HUNTER HALL AT THE ALUMNI HOUSE.

ALUMNI MEDALLION

PAMELA “PAM” JORDAN PENNY '77, HON J.D. '16

Instilled with a commitment to give back to her community from an early age, Pam has consistently answered the call of alma mater to the betterment of the W&M family.

Pam previously served on the Raymond A. Mason School of Business Accounting Programs board and is now a trustee of the William & Mary Foundation. She helped to establish and is a charter member of the Society of 1918, a giving society committed to growing the engagement, leadership and philanthropy of W&M women. She drafted the organization's bylaws and was chair of the Membership Committee for five years, during which the society grew to more than 500 members.

Together with her husband, James D. “Jim” Penny J.D. '83, Pam has generously supported the W&M Law School — which named her an honorary alumna in 2016 — including providing funds for Penny Commons and the Penny Professorship of Law. They also established the Penny Professorship, Accounting Scholarship and the Business Analytics Scholarship at the Mason School and contributed to numerous building campaigns across campus.

Pam had a distinguished 40-year career in finance, auditing and accounting. She started her career in a field that was, at the time, heavily dominated by men. In Houston, Pam rose to audit partner at KPMG. She then made the career transition from public accounting to private industry at Securities and Exchange Commission listed companies. At HCC Insurance Holdings Inc., she served as executive vice president and chief accounting officer during a series of complicated acquisitions and a highly successful merger with Tokio Marine. She retired in 2016. Throughout her career, she forged strong connections with and provided mentorship to other rising stars.

While in Houston, she was president and treasurer of an organization that provided resources and opportunities for at-risk children. She continues to support that cause in the greater Williamsburg community as former treasurer and current board chair of Child Development Resources (CDR), a nonprofit that provides services to young children and their families and training and technical assistance for the professionals who serve them. She has helped raise funds and provided significant financial support for CDR's new operating facility.

Pam is also a member of the board of the Jamestown Rediscovery Foundation, which supports Historic Jamestowne, and has been philanthropically active with the Colonial Williamsburg Foundation, the Jamestown-Yorktown Foundation and George Washington's Mount Vernon.



ALUMNI MEDALLION

TODD A. STOTTLEMYER '85, P '16, P '21



As an involved alumnus for more than three decades, Todd Stottlemeyer uplifts others and advances excellence at the Alma Mater of the Nation.

In 2011, he was appointed to W&M's Board of Visitors and was elected for multiple terms as rector of the board from 2013–2018. Under his leadership, the university enacted the W&M Promise, a tuition guarantee; launched the *For the Bold* campaign, the university's largest and most successful comprehensive campaign to date; and hired William & Mary's first woman president, Katherine A. Rowe. He currently serves as a trustee of the W&M Foundation.

In honor of Todd's time playing W&M Football, Todd and his wife, Elaine T. Stottlemeyer P '16, P '21, have provided critical funding for the team. They have supported the Powell Leadership Scholarship, the Global Research Institute Fund and the Stottlemeyer-Coyne Football Scholarship, which they established, among other funds. Their support aided in the completion of both the Reveley Garden and Hearth: Memorial to the Enslaved.

Todd credits his classes at William & Mary for teaching him to think critically and write well, and his experience as an offensive lineman for the Tribe as making him the leader he is today.

A leader in the rapidly changing technology sector throughout his career, Todd has served as CEO for several technology companies as well as the Inova Health System's Center for Personalized Health and the National Federation of Independent Business. He currently serves as CEO of Acentra Health, a global health technology products and solutions company, where he and his team have led a significant transformation effort. He has been recognized on the regional and national level for his professional achievements.

In June 2023, Todd was recognized by national nonprofit No Kid Hungry as a Champion in the fight to end childhood hunger for his almost 10 years of advocacy work for the organization. He also serves on the board of the Wolf Trap Foundation for the Performing Arts; is vice chair of GO Virginia, a state economic development board; is a trustee of the Wesley Theological Seminary; and serves on the board of the Northern Virginia Technology Council. He has held a considerable number of leadership roles at organizations promoting education, healthcare, the economy and more.



THOMAS JEFFERSON AWARDS

The Thomas Jefferson Award and the Thomas Jefferson Teaching Award have been made possible by the generosity of the Robert Earll McConnell Foundation. The first award provides the opportunity for William & Mary to express appreciation to a member of the university family for significant service through his or her personal activities, influence or leadership. The Certificate of Award to be presented specifies that the recipient "exemplifies through his or her life, character, and influence, the principles and the ideals of Thomas Jefferson." We are thus reminded that it is not only the intellectual achievement, but also character and service to one's fellow human beings, that should be fostered by an institution of higher learning.

The Thomas Jefferson Teaching Award is a tribute to the faculty of William & Mary who influenced and encouraged so profoundly the young Jefferson. This award is given annually to a younger teaching member of the university community who has demonstrated, through concern as a teacher and through character and influence, the inspiration and stimulation of learning to the betterment of the individual and society as exemplified by Thomas Jefferson.

Each year, the faculty presents the Thomas Jefferson Prize in Natural Philosophy to a deserving undergraduate. This prize has been endowed by the trustees of the Thomas Jefferson Memorial Foundation of Charlottesville, Virginia. Their generous gift recognizes excellence in the sciences and honors the relationship that Jefferson enjoyed with Professor William Small, his tutor in mathematics and the "natural sciences."

JAMES MONROE PRIZE IN CIVIC LEADERSHIP

In his first inaugural address, James Monroe, fifth president of the United States and alumnus of the university, told the nation, "From a just responsibility I will never shrink." Today, Monroe's alma mater is committed to inspiring its students to use their talents in the execution of just responsibilities — to lead not merely by the accumulation of office but through service to the greater good.

The James Monroe Prize in Civic Leadership recognizes the William & Mary student who best demonstrates sustained leadership of an unusual quality — leadership combined with initiative, character and an unfailing commitment to leveraging the assets of the William & Mary community to address the needs of our society. The Monroe Prize was established in 2005 through the generosity and vision of the Owens Foundation. Honorees receive a scholarship and a framed citation, and their names are added to a permanent plaque describing the award in the university's Sadler Center.

THOMAS JEFFERSON AWARD

LINDA C. SCHAFFNER
M.A. '81, PH.D. '87

Linda C. Schaffner, a member of the William & Mary community for 47 years, your service embodies this award's true essence. You completed an M.A. and Ph.D. in Marine Science, have served as a member of the faculty in the School of Marine Science for 35 years (and counting) and led the academic program at the Virginia Institute of Marine Science as Associate Dean of Academic Studies for 12 years.

Your service has been multifaceted: producing impactful science; mentoring the next generation of leaders; building strong connections across the university; serving on strategic and administrative committees; and leading one of the country's largest and most successful graduate programs in coastal and marine science. Linda C. Schaffner, for your tireless devotion to the betterment of William & Mary we honor you with the 2024 Thomas Jefferson Award.



THOMAS JEFFERSON TEACHING AWARD

CLAIRE MCKINNEY

Claire McKinney, you have made an indelible impact on our students. You educate students across all levels — from freshmen to graduate students — with dedication, broadening their academic horizons and deepening their understanding of complex societal dynamics.

Since arriving in 2016, you have developed innovative curricula and taught new courses, particularly in areas that have been historically overlooked. These courses now rank among the most engaging in our curriculum.

Beyond the classroom, you have contributed generous time and energy to our community, delivering over a dozen campus talks. You have supervised honors theses and independent study projects and co-chaired a dissertation on the graduate program in American Studies.

Claire McKinney, in light of your exemplary contributions to teaching and your commitment to our students' intellectual and personal development, it is our great pleasure to honor you with the 2024 Thomas Jefferson Teaching Award.





THOMAS JEFFERSON PRIZE IN NATURAL PHILOSOPHY

ROBERT K. GOURDIE '24

Robert K. Gourdie, Class of 2024, your faculty proudly recognize you as a 'once in a lifetime student.' A 1693 Scholar, you have demonstrated outstanding academic promise.

Your research has led to the discovery of a new biochemical reaction, you have made several novel amino acids and you developed complex assays to test your hypotheses. Publication in a prestigious journal confirms your work's importance. Another manuscript is being submitted to the most prestigious journal in your discipline. You are enthusiastic about mentoring and increasing retention of younger students in STEM fields. You served in the Tribe TutorZone and co-founded the mentorship program in chemistry.

Robert K. Gourdie, your curiosity and excellence embody William & Mary's values. Faculty enthusiastically honor your passion, your intellect and your kindness toward others. William & Mary proudly presents you the 2024 Thomas Jefferson Prize in Natural Philosophy.



JAMES MONROE PRIZE IN CIVIC LEADERSHIP

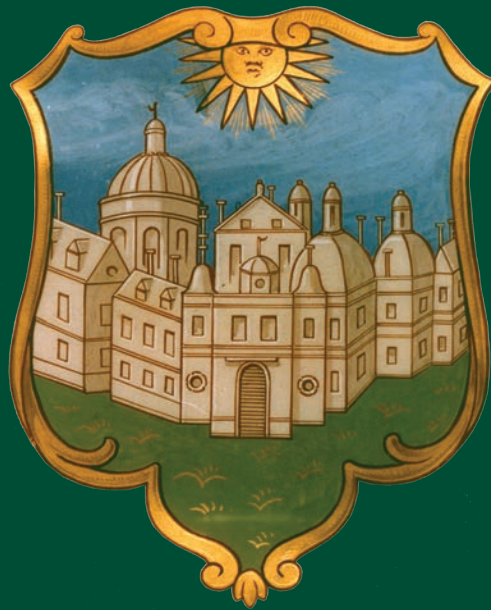
JADEN A. SPADY '24

Jaden A. Spady, Class of 2024, we honor you as a civic leader, a role model and a mentor. You have led as the former president of the African American Male Coalition, vice president of the National Pan-Hellenic Council and a William & Mary Scholars Undergraduate Research Experience fellow.

You developed and ran a weekly middle school mentorship program. You coach freshmen through the transition to college life and foster intellectual and spiritual growth and community for students of African descent. You worked with William & Mary Voter Engagement to organize voter registration campaigns with the League of Women Voters. You created a research presentation for First Baptist Church of Williamsburg.

Jaden A. Spady, you have inspired many to promote belonging at William & Mary and beyond. The university is proud to honor you with this year's James Monroe Prize in Civic Leadership.

THE COLLEGE COAT OF ARMS



William & Mary was the first American institution of higher learning to be granted a royal coat of arms, issued on May 14, 1694, by the College of Arms in London. The College Coat of Arms depicts college buildings in silver on a green field with a golden sun against a blue sky. The seal does not represent actual William & Mary buildings because the Coat of Arms was issued before construction began on what is now called the Wren Building. The Royal Charter calls for a "Common seal" for William & Mary and that original seal included the Coat of Arms in the center.

THE COLLEGE MACE



The College Mace is carried by the president of the Student Assembly at all official William & Mary convocations, including Opening Convocation, Commencement, Charter Day and other special events, as a symbol of the authority vested in the rector of the university and delegated to the president of the university. As such, it always precedes the rector and the president. The College Mace is on display in the Swem Library Special Collections Research Center along with other academic regalia when not in use for William & Mary events.

Designed and handcrafted by the Gorham Company of New York, the mace is made of sterling silver. It was given to the university by alumni and students at Charter Day on February 8, 1923, upon the 230th anniversary of the granting of the Royal Charter.

THE MARISCHAL MACE



The Marischal Mace is carried by the president of the Graduate Council of the Student Assembly at all official William & Mary convocations.

A gift from the University of Aberdeen in honor of William & Mary's 300th anniversary, the mace was presented by the University's Principal and Vice Chancellor, Professor John Maxwell Irvine. The University of Aberdeen is comprised of King's College (founded in 1495) and Marischal College (founded 1593), where William & Mary's founder and first president, the Rev. James Blair, was educated. The mace, a silver replica of one of the two maces carried by Sacrists at traditional university ceremonies in Scotland, was first carried in academic procession at the Charter Day ceremony in February 1993.

When not in use, the mace is placed in the Earl Gregg Swem Library under the care of the university archivist.

BADGES AND CHAINS OF OFFICE



PRESIDENT'S BADGE
& CHAIN



CHANCELLOR'S BADGE
& CHAIN



RECTOR'S BADGE
& CHAIN

The President's Badge and Chain of Office were first worn by President W. Taylor Reveley, III LL.D. '18, HON '18 in 2018. The badge and chain of office were gifts from President Reveley to the university in memory and honor of those William & Mary presidents who preceded him and those who will follow.

The Chancellor's Badge and Chain of Office were presented to William & Mary by the Society of the Alumni at the investiture of Chancellor Warren E. Burger at Charter Day on February 7, 1987.

The Rector's Badge and Chain of Office were presented to the university by Anne Dobie Peebles '44 upon her retirement from the Board of Visitors. She served 13 years on the board, the last three as rector.

Each piece was handcrafted by the firm of Thomas Fattorini, Ltd. of Birmingham, England, and features an enameled depiction of the coat-of-arms of William & Mary, issued in 1694 by the College of Arms in London as specified in the royal charter. The president's badge is crafted of silver and gold; the chancellor's badge of silver and enamel and the rector's of silver and gold.

When not in use, the Badges and Chains of Office are placed in the Earl Gregg Swem Library under the care of the university archivist.

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ALMA MATER

*Hark the students' voices swelling,
strong and true and clear
Alma Mater's love they're telling
ringing far and near.*

CHORUS

*William & Mary loved of old
Hark, upon the gale,
Hear the thunder of our chorus
Alma Mater hail!*

*God, our Father, hear our voices,
listen to our cry
Bless the college of our fathers,
let her never die.*

James Southall Wilson 1904, LL.D. 1931

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VISION

William & Mary transcends the boundaries between research and teaching, teaching and learning, learning and living. People come to William & Mary wanting to understand and change the world – and together we do.

MISSION

A preeminent, public research university, grounded in the liberal arts and sciences since 1693, William & Mary is a vibrant and inclusive community. Through close mentoring and collaboration, we inspire lifelong learning, generate new knowledge, and expand understanding. We cultivate creative thinkers, principled leaders, and compassionate global citizens equipped for lives of meaning and distinction. William & Mary convenes great minds and hearts to meet the most pressing needs of our time.

STATEMENT OF VALUES

Accomplishing our mission requires that the entire community work together as stewards of the core values that infuse our collective effort:

Belonging

We create a welcoming and caring community that embraces diverse people and perspectives.

Curiosity

We foster an open academic environment that champions intellectual agility and inspires creativity in the discovery, preservation, application, and advancement of knowledge.

Excellence

We aim for the extraordinary, recognizing that personal growth and meaningful accomplishment require bold and innovative aspirations, courageous risk-taking, and focused effort.

Flourishing

We create conditions that ensure William & Mary will thrive for all time coming, and we empower those who live, learn, and work here to make choices toward a healthy and fulfilling life.

Integrity

We are honorable, equitable, trustworthy, and committed to the highest ethical standards in all that we do.

Respect

We treat one another with mutual respect, recognizing and upholding each person's inherent dignity and worth.

Service

We engage with individuals and communities both near and far, devoting our knowledge, skills, and time to serving the greater good.

William & Mary is a community that fosters deep human connection. We reflect on the lessons of history to meet the challenges of a rapidly changing world. We engage diverse perspectives and seek wisdom in bridging differences. Together, we are unceasing in our efforts to make a meaningful difference in our communities, the state, the nation, and the world.

The William & Mary Board of Visitors approved this statement on November 22, 2019. The State Council of Higher Education for Virginia approved the mission statement on January 7, 2020. The new statement officially took effect in spring 2020.



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