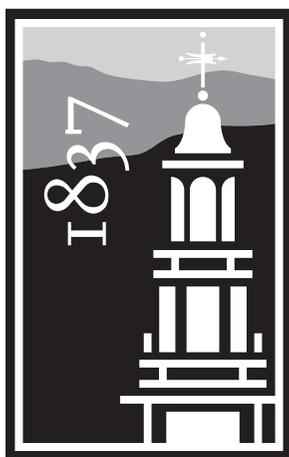


# COLBY-SAWYER COLLEGE



## COMMENCEMENT



Saturday, May 8, 2021  
New London, New Hampshire

# ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY-THIRD COMMENCEMENT ORDER OF EXERCISES

<b>PROCESSIONAL*</b> .....	Arch Weathers, bagpiper
<b>CALL TO ORDER</b> .....	Jon P. Keenan Professor, School of Arts & Sciences
<b>NATIONAL ANTHEM</b> .....	Please join Alexis Farrell '21 in the singing of our National Anthem
<b>PRESIDENT'S WELCOME</b> .....	Susan D. Stuebner President and Professor of Social Sciences and Education Volanakis Family Presidential Chair
<b>SUSAN COLGATE CLEVELAND MEDAL FOR DISTINGUISHED SERVICE</b> .....	Presented by Susan D. Stuebner
<b>HONORARY DOCTOR OF HUMANE LETTERS DEGREE</b> .....	Presented by Susan D. Stuebner
<b>JACK JENSEN AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN TEACHING</b> .....	Presented by Susan D. Stuebner
<b>COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS</b> .....	Chery A. Whipple Assistant Professor, Biology "Breathe. Believe. And Persevere."
<b>DAVID H. WINTON BACCALAUREATE AWARD</b> .....	Presented by Laura A. Sykes '98 Academic Vice President and Dean of Faculty
<b>COLBY-SAWYER AWARD</b> .....	Presented by Robin Burroughs Davis Vice President for Student Development and Dean of Students
<b>SENIOR COMMENCEMENT SPEAKER</b> .....	Introduced by Robin Burroughs Davis

\* Audience members are requested to stand, as they are able, and remain in place until the end of the processional and recessional.

<b>SENIOR ADDRESS</b> .....	Kayia Alleyne '21 "Measurable Moments"
<b>CONFERRING OF DEGREES</b> .....	Lisa M. Hogarty '81 Chair of the Board of Trustees Susan D. Stuebner Laura A. Sykes Siobhan Swanson Registrar Pam Lambrukos Assistant Registrar
<b>PRESIDENT'S CLOSING REMARKS</b> .....	Susan D. Stuebner
<b>RECESSIONAL*</b> .....	Arch Weathers, bagpiper
<b>COLLEGE MARSHALS</b> .....	Donna E. Berghorn Professor, Humanities Jon P. Keenan Professor, School of Arts & Sciences
<b>COMMENCEMENT MARSHALS</b> .....	Nicholas Baer Professor, Biology and Environmental Sciences Kathleen Farrell Professor, Sociology Ann Fournier Assistant Professor, School of Nursing & Health Sciences Joan Huber Assistant Professor, Nursing and Public Health Amy Lyon Assistant Professor, Social Sciences and Education M.J. Richardson Adjunct Professor, School of Nursing & Health Sciences

## **SUSAN COLGATE CLEVELAND MEDAL FOR DISTINGUISHED SERVICE**

The Susan Colgate Cleveland Medal for Distinguished Service is the college's highest honor. It is presented to individuals who exemplify Susan Colgate Cleveland's attributes, ensuring that her work, dedication and influence will be remembered by future generations.

### **PETER F. "PETE" VOLANAKIS · Former Chair of the Board of Trustees**

Peter F. "Pete" Volanakis of Hanover, N.H., joined the Colby-Sawyer College Board of Trustees in 2012 and served as its chair from 2016 to 2020.

During his time as a trustee, Pete served on the Board Organization, Academic Affairs and Investment Committees and the Admissions Tuition Pricing Policy Group and chaired the Finance and Enrollment Committee. As chair of the board, he was committed to shaping and leading an outcomes-based, high performing board with a primary focus on the long-term well-being of the institution.

Pete and his wife, Cathy, have been generous benefactors of the college. With a respect for and an understanding of the transformative educational experience at Colby-Sawyer, they have made strategic and timely gifts directed to growing the college's endowment and making improvements that are critical to recruiting and retaining students. In 2018, Pete and Cathy were inducted into the college's Legends Society, which recognizes donors whose philanthropic

support of the college totals more than \$1 million. This year, Pete and Cathy made another substantial gift to create a new endowed chair in the president's office, the Volanakis Family Presidential Chair, which is especially fitting as Pete served as chair of the college's Presidential Search Committee in 2016.

Pete graduated cum laude in economics from Dartmouth College in 1977 and earned an M.B.A. degree from the Tuck School at Dartmouth in 1982. He had a 28-year career at Corning, one of the world's leading innovators in materials science, retiring as president in 2010. Pete serves as a director of the Vanguard Group and is a trustee of Vanguard Mutual Funds. He is a member of the BMW Mobility Advisory Board, former director of Hypertherm, Inc. and the SPX Corporation, an emeritus director of the Corning Museum of Glass, and a former member of the Board of Overseers of the Tuck School.

Pete and Cathy have two grown children, Annie and Charlie, and four grandchildren.



## **HONORARY DOCTOR OF HUMANE LETTERS (L.H.D.)**

Colby-Sawyer's Honorary Doctor of Humane Letters degree recognizes an individual of humanitarian character and superior intellect whose life and work have brought about positive, far-reaching consequences for individuals and organizations.

**JOANNE M. CONROY, MD - Chief Executive Officer and President, Dartmouth-Hitchcock and Dartmouth-Hitchcock Health**

Since 2017 and the start of her tenure as chief executive officer and president of Dartmouth-Hitchcock and Dartmouth-Hitchcock Health (D-HH), Joanne M. Conroy, MD, has been committed to furthering her organization's decades-long academic partnership with Colby-Sawyer College.

In 2019, after many years of collaboration between Dartmouth-Hitchcock and Colby-Sawyer on nursing education, Dr. Conroy saw the opportunity to partner further to expand high-quality clinical education in nursing and other important health science fields as a way to support D-HH's mission of delivering high-quality patient care by investing in the workforce.

Under Dr. Conroy's leadership, D-HH committed to a multi-year strategic investment in the college of up to \$3.2 million to meet the demand for qualified health care workers. This support enabled Colby-Sawyer to expand its undergraduate nursing classes, launch five new health science programs, develop an associate degree program to further the education of current D-HH employees and design two new tracks for the Master of Science in Nursing program.

In addition to advancing the partnership with Colby Sawyer, Dr. Conroy has prioritized staff

morale and engagement for employees across the D-HH system and has implemented significant improvements in compensation and benefits. Under her stewardship, D-HH announced a \$150 million expansion of the Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center in Lebanon and a \$59 million expansion at its Manchester location — two projects that will increase patient access to key clinical services.

A committed leader in advancing equity in the workplace, she is a co-founder of Women of Impact, a nonpartisan group of 60 female health care leaders nationwide. Modern Healthcare honored her in 2019 as an inaugural recipient of its Women Leaders' Luminary Award and in 2020 as one of the 50 Most Influential Clinical Executives.

Dr. Conroy received her undergraduate degree in chemistry from Dartmouth College and her medical degree from the Medical University of South Carolina. She is certified with the American Board of Anesthesiologists, attained a Certificate of Added Qualifications in Pain Management and is a diplomat with the American Academy of Pain Management.



## **JACK JENSEN AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN TEACHING**

The Jack Jensen Award for Excellence in Teaching is the college's highest teaching award. It honors a teacher who communicates high expectations and encourages intellectual curiosity within and across disciplines; respects diverse talents and ways of learning and uses variety in instruction; and engages students and inspires them to do their best work. The award is named for the late Professor Jack Jensen who, through his dedication to teaching, inspired faculty and students alike.

### **CHERY A. WHIPPLE - Assistant Professor, Biology**

Professor Chery Whipple, Ph.D., joined the Colby-Sawyer College faculty in 2017 after spending 12 years researching pancreatic and skin cancer at Dartmouth-Hitchcock's Norris Cotton Cancer Center. She teaches courses in biology, microbiology, genetics, anatomy and physiology and laboratory techniques and has recently developed two new integrative study courses: a field course in Belize on tropical communities and a cancer epidemiology course.

Chery is particularly interested in guiding undergraduate research projects and is an instructor in the biomedical summer research course supported by the New Hampshire IDEa Network of Biomedical Research Excellence (NH-INBRE). She views teaching as a team activity in which it is her role to share knowledge and support the development of a critical mind. She utilizes a wide range of teaching techniques, incorporating real world examples, encouraging review of current literature and posing questions that require hypothesis-driven problem-solving skills.

"It is the moments when a student succeeds, when they find their passion for a topic, they gain confidence in a new ability or make a connection outside of the classroom that invigorate me," Chery says.

One student nominator wrote, "Chery enlightened me and showed me that I am here for more than just school. She refers to so many different opportunities that I could be interested in and always gives endless support."

Another nominator wrote, "Chery is one of the most enthusiastic professors I have met. She loves what she does, the classes she teaches and the students. She is always excited to share her knowledge and strives to make learning and scientific inquiry fun, all while communicating high expectations."

Chery earned a B.S. in biology from Lake Erie College and an M.S. in education and a Ph.D. in genetics from the University of New Hampshire. At Colby-Sawyer, she is faculty representative to the Board of Trustees, chair of the Faculty Development Committee and member of the Faculty Personnel Committee. She is a volunteer and board member with the New Hampshire Academy of Science (NHAS) and was recently awarded two grants that will advance science research at the college and throughout the state.



## DAVID H. WINTON BACCALAUREATE AWARD

The David H. Winton Baccalaureate Award is presented to the baccalaureate degree graduate who ranks highest in scholarship among those in the graduating class.

### ANETTE HELIN

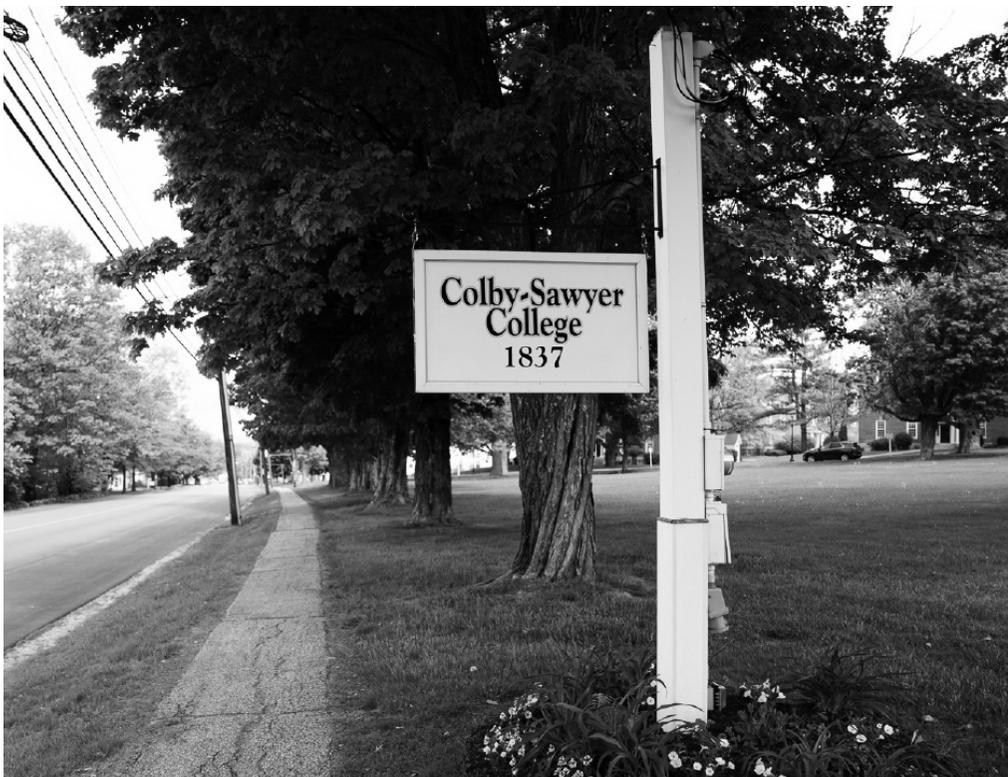
Anette Helin, a self-designed major in international business from Espoo, Finland, created her own major by incorporating coursework in business, psychology, sociology and political studies in preparation for a career in an increasingly globalized business world. Through the self-design process, Anette curated an academic plan to help her better understand and appreciate the culture, customs, religions and politics of other countries, understand international markets and examine a variety of social issues. In 2020, she completed an internship with Nestlé Finland. Her capstone, titled “From Globalization to Glocalization: The One Letter That Makes All the Difference,” focused on the impact of social media on the field of marketing.

Anette is an insightful and thoughtful student. One faculty member said, “Anette keeps her eyes

focused on the relationship between the classroom and the world, and she is consistently able to evaluate how a theory or concept would play out in the real world of politics and business.”

Anette’s skills were evident not only in the classroom, but also in her leadership and involvement on campus. She worked as a peer educator at the Student Learning Collaborative, tutoring students in business, psychology and political studies. She was also a member of the Student Government Association and the Presidential Blue Key Society.

Upon graduation, Anette will return home for the summer before starting a graduate program in Boston in the fall.



## **COLBY-SAWYER AWARD**

The Colby-Sawyer Award is given to the senior who, in the opinion of the faculty, best exemplifies the ideals of the college in personal dignity, intellectual growth, contributions to campus life and constructive influence on other students.

### **QUINN STUEBNER**

A Wesson Honors scholar and a double major in sport management and business administration, Quinn Stuebner is not only an outstanding student, but also a valuable contributor to the cocurricular life of the college. Since arriving at Colby-Sawyer from Boise, Idaho, Quinn has established himself as a student leader respected by faculty, staff and students alike.

Quinn has consistently dedicated his time, knowledge and passion for learning to the college community. He participated in the Emerging Leaders program in his first year, was an orientation leader in his junior year and has been an advancement ambassador for the past two years. He has worked at the Student Learning Collaborative as a peer educator and group learning instructor since his sophomore year, tutoring students in sport management, financial accounting, business statistics and other areas.

As a member of the Exercise and Sport Sciences (ESS) Majors Club, Quinn assisted with the

club's Fall Cleanup fundraiser, organized student volunteer efforts for the Boston Marathon and coordinated off-campus trips to career fairs and sporting events. He served as president of the ESS Majors Club in his junior year. Quinn was a member of the men's ice hockey and rugby teams for four years and served as captain of the hockey team, organizing game schedules and practices and working tirelessly to recruit prospective students to Colby-Sawyer.

Quinn has earned a spot on the Dean's list every semester. He is a member of Alpha Chi honor society and has completed three internships and three capstone projects. In 2020, Quinn was awarded the Margaret (Marnie) A. Kurtz Merit Award for Business Excellence for his motivation, eagerness to learn, respectability and integrity.

Upon graduation, Quinn will begin a new role in Nampa, Idaho, as an area manager in the operations network for Amazon.com.



## SENIOR COMMENCEMENT SPEAKER

The Class of 2021 Commencement Speaker Medal is presented to a student who represents the character of the graduating class and will give an inspirational and engaging speech that represents the college's values and learning outcomes.

### KAYIA ALLEYNE

Kayia Alleyne, a public health major from Dorchester, Mass., is an actively involved student and leader on campus. A BOLD Scholar, Kayia is a member of Colby-Sawyer's chapter of the BOLD Women's Leadership Network, a highly selective national program of female scholars.

In addition to her academic work, Kayia has served as senior class treasurer, president of the dance club, and a student ambassador in admissions. She is a member of the Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion (EDI) Task Force and has done diversity work for the Student Activities Office (SAO). She has also been an orientation leader, a member of the orientation board, and the women's basketball manager. She believes that active involvement in the community is the key to opening doors and having an outstanding

experience and that breaking out of your comfort zone is essential to achieving your goals and dreams.

A staff member said, "Kayia is extremely positive and optimistic in the face of reality and challenge. She displays a commonsense approach and has demonstrated a natural inclination to lead and support initiatives which benefit the entire Colby-Sawyer community."

Kayia is currently formulating a post-grad BOLD fellowship and hopes to work with an organization that assists children who have experienced trauma, gun violence or opioid addiction. She also hopes to pursue graduate studies with a concentration in health care administration.



## ASSOCIATE IN LIBERAL ARTS

### **LIBERAL ARTS**

Erin Childs  
Julie Irving  
Kendra Renfors

## ASSOCIATE IN SCIENCE

### **HEALTH SCIENCE**

Diana Beaulac

## BACHELOR OF ARTS

### **STUDIO ARTS**

\*\*\*Abigail Castriotta †  
Talia Ania Dinger

### **COMMUNICATION STUDIES**

Madeline Patricia Dalton †  
Adrina Summar Dervisevic  
\*\*Brayden Iturrondo †  
\*Kelsi Nicole Maddock ††  
James P. Reed  
Kieran Flynn Thapalia  
Leah Tramonozzi  
\*Ashley Marie Vajentic

### **CREATIVE WRITING**

\*Kelsi Nicole Maddock ††  
\*Reuben Juniper McNeil  
\*Ashley Marie Vajentic

### **CRIME AND LEGAL STUDIES**

Alec M. Burns  
Alexandra Szczechowicz

### **GRAPHIC DESIGN**

Angelica V. Kirk  
Amelia Jane Mangini  
\*\*\*Egann Michael Roberge †

## **HISTORY AND POLITICAL STUDIES**

Audrey Austin Barnes  
Tatianna Michelle Jeanee Bates  
\*\*Brayden Iturrondo †  
Matthew James Russell

### **PSYCHOLOGY**

\*Robin Marie Baldwin †  
\*Emily Katherine Barton †  
Jasmine Kindell Page Bell  
Ashley G. Capillo  
Mackenzie Dwyer Freeman  
\*Taylor Hardock †  
\*Kayla Renee Moorby †  
\*Rebecca Jane Patterson  
Joslin Dana Wainwright

### **SELF-DESIGNED**

Bailey Brochu  
Liam Michael Fleming  
\*\*\*Anette Katariina Helin  
Joshua Meachen  
\*\*Amber Marie Nicholson †  
Ken-Jerry Synvrit

### **SOCIOLOGY**

Sarah C. Kilham  
Margaret Bryce Stockwell  
Jaime Caroline Wood

## BACHELOR OF FINE ARTS

### **GRAPHIC DESIGN**

Varoon Laksh S. Balloo  
Jacob B. Cammett  
\*Nora Jane Huddleston  
Madison Lambert  
Noah Allen Prior

**BACHELOR OF SCIENCE****ATHLETIC TRAINING**

Amber Jade Davis  
 Maxwell William Judge  
 Brook-Lynne Marcotte  
 Eliot John Mousseau  
 Shawn Spenard  
 Darrian Kory Pierce Nolette Sweatt  
 Austin Jon Woodward

**BIOLOGY**

\*\*\*Megan Bishop †  
 Erika Lee Blanchette  
 Ziqian Han  
 \*\*\*Matthew Merrick Kelly  
 Ross Lyons Kenney  
 Ashlynn Mayberry  
 Ruth Maribel Padilla Garcia  
 Cameron Peter Stephens  
 \*\*Bridget Turecek †

**BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION**

Jenna Grace Bessette  
 \*\*Clare Priscilla Brady †  
 Andrew Broening  
 Cameron Michael Brooks  
 Michael Thomas Callum  
 Erin Nicole Carberry  
 William Bryce Carlson  
 Jacob M. Carrier  
 Ryan Cumiskey  
 Jessica Cordeiro Almeida da Silva  
 Ayden Paige Dolmat-Braccia  
 Jacob Michael Paul Gillen  
 Justin Gordon  
 Madison Elizabeth Iaria  
 Andrew Kovacs  
 \*\*\*Julia Dorothy Lanctot †  
 Cheryl Ann Lawson  
 Emily Lyons  
 Daniel Joseph Munger  
 \*\*Chelsea Ann Perry †  
 Michael Richard Queen  
 Ahamad Raji

\*\*Dibin Sainju  
 \*\*\*Quinn Lewis Stuebner † †  
 Benjamin D. Taber  
 Leah Tramondozzi  
 Jakeb William Vierzen †  
 Edward James Wiley  
 Matthew Thomas Williamson  
 Yashu Yang

**CHILD DEVELOPMENT**

Cassandra Rose Baldwin  
 Margaret Fox  
 Paige Mackenzie Leary  
 Emma Schaeberle

**CHILD DEVELOPMENT  
EDUCATION PREP**

\*Madison Johansson  
 \*\*\*Julia Jean Roy †  
 \*\*\*Breanna Elizabeth Sheehan †

**ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE**

\*Rebecca Budrock  
 Maggie M. Grant  
 Lucy Lubov Hayward  
 \*\*Cassandra Anne Lashier  
 \*\*\*Jacob Raymond McCormack †  
 \*Amy Twila Stockburger  
 Ethan Scott Sweet

**ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES**

\*\*\*Abigail Castriotta †  
 Jacob Norman Winn

**EXERCISE SCIENCE**

\*Ioannis Bechlianos  
 Amanda Michelle Boyd  
 Mackenzie M. Buzzell  
 Riley Leeanne Corrigan  
 \*\*Owen Alexander Cottle  
 Emma Katherine Kibbie  
 Daniel George McCrystal  
 Allison Piracini  
 Brady Allison Stolz  
 \*Jessica Tattersall

Nathanael Nahum Treviño  
Emily A. Vrooman  
Austin Whaley  
\*\*Noah Yeingst

**NURSING**

\*\*\*Stephanie Jane Allison  
Rachel Caroline Bassil  
\*\*\*Avry S. Beccia †  
\*\*\*Chad Kenneth Bernard †  
Joseph Leo Bisson  
Carly Eliza Boudreau  
Avery Caroline Brennan  
Emily C. Calise  
Margaret J. Carter  
\*Rylee Lynn Chevalier †  
Briana Nicole Couture  
Alyssa Rae DeMarinis  
Kaylie L. Demitraszek  
Marielle Eve Dupre  
\*\*Maria Elizabeth Gapp †  
\*\*\*Alexandria Marie Giesing †  
\*\*\*Ellen Hennessey Gilbert  
Jonathan D. Glidden †  
Jinnae Ann Jang  
\*\*\*Claire C. Kilbride  
Samantha J. LaCombe  
Abigail Jane Ladd  
\*Macy L. Lapan  
\*Erica Leland  
Stephanie R. Luce  
Kendra Elizabeth Martin  
Lauryn M. Masse  
Nicole S. Matcheski  
Sarah Katherine McGraw  
\*Erin M. Merriam  
\*Sarah J. Morin †  
Marissa Nicole Nance  
Elizabeth Lucia Notte  
Nicole S. Palmer  
\*Samuel J. Pushee †  
\*Callan Elizabeth Rees †  
\*Isabella Mary Robinson  
Leah Robley  
Lauren Rachel Rochow

Garrett J. Scahill  
\*\*Molly Rose Schilling †  
William D. Schmidlein  
Ariana H. Sullivan  
Kathryn R. Sutton  
Tierney Thompson  
\*\*Kaycee Lynn Wilson †  
\*Emily Woodward †

**PUBLIC HEALTH**

Kayia Alleyne  
\*Zoe Marie Daudier  
Alexus Marie Farrell  
Elizabeth M. Foster  
Madyn Kenney  
Steven C. Moody  
Taylor Jean Pike  
Promise Troah  
\*\*\*Annaliese Volckaert ††

**SPORT MANAGEMENT**

Colin T. Andrews  
Jesse Joseph Galanti  
\*\*Dallas Michael Robinson  
Bruin James Smith  
Andrew John Strainer  
\*\*\*Quinn Lewis Stuebner ††  
Nathan Jacob Verge  
Maxwell Wingard

# ACADEMIC REGALIA

The **gown** worn by a bachelor is distinguished by long, pointed sleeves. The gown worn by a master has oblong sleeves. The gown of a doctor has rounded sleeves, velvet panels around the neck and down the front, and three velvet bars on the sleeves.

**Hoods** are lined in silk in the official colors of the institution granting the degree. For Colby-Sawyer College those colors are royal blue and white. The color of the hood trim indicates the degree earned. The hoods are trimmed in white for bachelor of arts, brown for bachelor of fine arts and gold for bachelor of science.

**Honor cords** of blue and green are worn by graduates who are members of the college's chapter of the Alpha Chi National College Honor Society. Honor cords of blue and white are worn by graduates who have earned the college's Wesson Honors Program Scholars Certificate. Honor cords of platinum and blue are worn by graduates who are members of the college's chapter of Psi Chi, the International Honor Society in Psychology. Honor cords of lavender and white are worn by members of the college's chapter of Sigma Theta Tau International, the Honor Society of Nursing. Honor cords of green and gold are worn by graduates who are members of the college's chapter of Sigma Beta Delta International Honor Society in Business, Management and Administration. Honor cords of red and white are worn by graduates who are members of the college's chapter of Lambda Pi Eta, the Honor Society of the National Communication Association. Honor cords of red, yellow and blue are worn by graduates who are members of the college's chapter of Iota Tau Alpha, the National Honor Society for Athletic Training Education.

**Sashes** of gold are worn by graduates who are senior class or Student Government Association officers. Sashes of blue are worn by the graduate marshals who are chosen from the faculty and staff by vote of the senior class. The graduate marshals escort the graduates and maintain the proper marching order as the graduates receive their diplomas.

**Tassels** of gold are worn by students who will graduate with honors of *summa cum laude*, *magna cum laude* or *cum laude*.

The **ceremonial collar**, worn by President Susan D. Stuebner, is emblematic of the presidential office. Its central portion is a silver pendant that displays the

Colby-Sawyer College seal. On the obverse, in tiny, cut diamonds, the initials S.F.C. signify Susan Farnum Colby, who married James B. Colgate. She served as the first teacher and principal of Colby Academy, the institution that formed the foundation upon which the present college is built. The college seal is enriched by a laurel wreath and surmounted by the star from the state seal, signifying the authority granted to the college by the State of New Hampshire. Symbolic of the bond that joins Colby Academy to Colby-Sawyer College is the Colgate family coat of arms in the central portion of the insignia.

Both Susan Farnum Colby Colgate and her daughter, Mary Colgate, offered material assistance during the crucial early days of the institution. It is fitting that one of the medallions bound to the coat of arms by silver links is emblazoned with an engraving of Colby Academy and the other with an engraving of Colgate Hall. Susan Colby taught in the Academy Building, which was erected in 1837. Colby-Sawyer students study to this day in Colgate Hall, one of the gifts of Mary Colgate.

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## KEY

‡ Honors Society Member

† Wesson Honors Program Scholar

\*\*\* Summa Cum Laude

\*\* Magna Cum Laude

\* Cum Laude



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