

# Three Rivers

## FIFTY-FIFTH ANNUAL Commencement Exercises

Saturday, June Thirteenth, two thousand and twenty Two o'clock in the afternoon Virtual Commencement

## Commencement Message from the President of Three Rivers Community College



Congratulations to the Class of 2020! It is with great joy that I celebrate with you at the 55th Commencement at Three Rivers Community College. This has been an unusual semester with the disruption of classes due to the Covid-19 virus. Taking all your classes online has been a significant accomplishment. We, the faculty and staff at Three Rivers, applaud your efforts and congratulate you!

To the graduates, Commencement celebrates both an ending and a beginning. You have worked hard with patience and persistence to achieve this accomplishment. I extend a hearty and cordial thank you to the family members, friends, faculty and staff as well as fellow

students for the support they have provided to each of you. Graduates, take time to thank those who have supported you so that you could celebrate this day.

On behalf of the entire Three Rivers community, I am extremely proud of each of you. I hope you will take time to stay connected to the College, come to campus and visit often, and update us on your successes. I charge each of you to become an active member of the Three Rivers Alumni community, your Three Rivers network, so you can help shape the future success and growth of your College.

May the days and years ahead be filled with many personal joys and professional successes!

I extend best wishes and heartfelt congratulations to all of our graduates!

With warmest wishes,

Mary Eller

Mary Ellen Jukoski, Ed.D. President Three Rivers Community College

## Commencement Order of Exercises

PROCESSIONAL

Presiding Dean

NATIONAL ANTHEM

Welcome

GREETINGS FROM THE Connecticut State Colleges & Universities

**GREETINGS FROM THE FACULTY** 

STUDENT GRADUATE ADDRESS

Announcement of Valedictorian and Salutatorian

Announcement of Medallions for Academic Excellence

William Edward O'Hare, M.A. Professor of Anthropology Piper

Robert Farinelli, M.S., M.A. Dean of Academic Affairs and Student Services

> Mya Millbauer Student

Mary Ellen Jukoski, Ed.D. President

> Mark E. Ojakian, M.A. President

MICHAEL CARTA, M.S. PROFESSOR OF CHEMISTRY CHAIR, FACULTY SENATE

SEBASTIAN C. BARTOSIAK Student Government President

Mary Ellen Jukoski, Ed.D. President

Mary Ellen Jukoski, Ed.D. President

#### **CERTIFICATION OF CANDIDATES**

INTRODUCTION OF Degree Candidates Mary Ellen Jukoski, Ed.D. President

Mark Comeau, M.S. Department Chair, Business and Technologies

Joseph Selvaggio, M.A. Department Chair, English and Communication

Terrence Delaney, Ph.D. Department Chair, Humanities and Social Sciences

Roxanne N. Tisch, Ph.D. Department Chair, Mathematics and Science

Edith Ouellet, Ed.D. Department Chair, Nursing and Allied Health

**Betty C. Baillargeon '94** Director of Institutional Advancement

> Mary Ellen Jukoski, Ed.D. President

William Edward O'Hare, M.A. Professor of Anthropology Piper

RECESSIONAL

**ALUMNI CHARGE** 

**CLOSING REMARKS** 

## **Speakers**



MARY ELLEN JUKOSKI was appointed by the Connecticut Board of Regents as President of Three Rivers Community College in May 2014 after a national search, the latest step in her distinguished career as a teacher, college administrator, and leader in higher education.

During her tenure at Three Rivers, Jukoski has provided leadership that focuses on student learning and success and advances the dual mission of liberal arts and professional education. She collaborated with College Congress to develop a shared governance model that was awarded

the CSCU Shared Governance Award 2018-2019 by the Connecticut Board of Regents for Higher Education and Faculty Advisory Committee for "Exemplary Achievement of Lasting Value Through Shared Governance."

Under her guidance, the state-of-the art Three Rivers Community College Manufacturing Apprenticeship Center was created to operate in the new Grasso Tech High School in 2019. Previously, she acquired \$5 million in funding from the Department of Labor in collaboration with EWIB to provide workforce training for Electric Boat. Jukoski also oversaw the expansion of the Tutoring and Academic Success Center, the implementation of the Certified Clinical Medical Assisting degree program, and the establishment of the College's first fully online degree program.

Jukoski had previously served as President of Mitchell College in New London, Connecticut for twenty years. She has held several administrative positions at Sacred Heart University, Loretto Heights College, the University of Memphis and Empire State College. She is highly active in the community serving on numerous boards including the Eastern Workforce Investment Board.

Jukoski earned her bachelor's and master's degrees from the College of St. Rose, a second master's degree from SUNY-Albany, and her doctoral degree from the University of Memphis.



MARK E. OJAKIAN became President of the Connecticut State Colleges and Universities system in September 2015. He oversees a system with 17 institutions serving over 85,000 students offering over 1,300 degree and certificate programs.

Ojakian brought with him a vision for reshaping CSCU as a vital and stable organization that supports and expands affordable access for students from all backgrounds, strives to produce educated and enlightened graduates who go on to contribute to Connecticut's growth, and provides

highly skilled workers to support business and industry in the state.

This vision has resulted in the implementation of the "Students First" philosophy throughout CSCU, the expansion and increased funding for eight Advanced Manufacturing Technical Centers across the state; the launching of the Transfer Ticket Program providing seamless transfer pathways from the community colleges to a state university in 25 degree program areas; and the promotion of inclusion and diversity in the CSCU system.

Among other state and community involvement, he is co-chair of the Working Group on Higher Education, a legislatively-created task force empaneled to make financial support available to higher education institutions to stimulate entrepreneurship and innovation.

Prior to his current appointment, he served as Chief of Staff to Governor Dannel P. Malloy for four years, Deputy Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management (OPM), and 16 years as Deputy Comptroller under former State Comptroller Nancy Wyman.

Ojakian received a Bachelor of Arts degree in History from St. Anselm's College, and a Master of Arts degree in International Relations from the American University.



**ROBERT FARINELLI** is the Dean of Academic Affairs and Student Services at Three Rivers Community College where he administers all aspects of academics affairs, including the development of the leadership team, creation of new academic programs, and the facilitation of student success programs. He also oversees Student Services where he drives the success and coordinates the efforts of enrollment, financial aid, advising, student programs, and Workforce and Community Education.

Prior to Three Rivers, Farinelli served as the Associate

Vice-President of Academic Affairs at the College of Southern Maryland. There he also held the positions of STEM Director; Division Chair of Mathematics, Physics and Engineering; and faculty member of the Mathematics department. At the Community College of Allegheny County, he was also a Professor of Mathematics. He holds a M.S. in Education from Capella University, a M.A. in Mathematics from the University of Pittsburgh, and a B.S. in Mathematics from Pennsylvania State University.



MICHAEL CARTA is a Professor of Chemistry at Three Rivers Community College. Professor Carta served as an adjunct instructor for seven years while working as a research chemist at Pfizer in Groton, Connecticut. After 25 years at Pfizer, he joined the faculty as a full-time instructor in 2009.

Professor Carta received his B.A. and M.S. degrees in chemistry from the University of Dayton. He is a member of the American Chemical Society and volunteers his time with the United Way Mobile Food Pantry and the

Adventures in Lifelong Learning group on campus.



**SEBASTIAN CARTER BARTOSIAK** is a 2020 graduate with an associate degree in Graphic Design and the President of the TRCC Student Government Association. A male transgender, first-generation, 24-year-old college student, he has attended Three Rivers since 2014. In the past six years, Bartosiak has served as President of the Video Game Club, Vice President of the Anime Club, Treasurer of the Three Rivers United Environmentalists Club, Treasurer of the Students Advocating Gender Equality Club, Secretary of Student Government, and Vice President of Student Government. He has also been

a student worker in the Student Programs Office since 2015.

## Three Rivers Community College Candidates for Graduation 2020

## Associate in Applied Science

Construction Technology Associate in Applied Science

MARK COMEAU, M.S., DEPARTMENT CHAIR, BUSINESS AND TECHNOLOGIES

Mauricio H. Escalante Marlene A. Ewankow\*\* Paul J. Gazzola\*\* Jonah E. Godfrey-Fogg\* Jefferey P. Hart\* Danielle M. Pucci\* Courtney S. Ridzon Cordelia Robinson

#### General Engineering Technology Associate in Applied Science

MICHAEL GENTRY, M.S., ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF ENGINEERING

WILLIAM J. RACE

Note: This program was printed on May 22, 2020, prior to the final confirmation of degrees and certificates awarded. Therefore, this list is tentative only. Students' transcripts are the official record of the College.

## Associate in Arts

#### CSCU PATHWAY TRANSFER DEGREE: Art Studies Associate in Arts

SANDRA JEKNAVORIAN, M.F.A., PROFESSOR OF ART

Selena M. Baker\*

CSCU PATHWAY TRANSFER DEGREE: BUSINESS STUDIES Associate in Arts

RICHARD J. BENNETT, J.D., PROFESSOR OF BUSINESS

Michael I. Biela Abigail Christina<sup>\*</sup> Jose Fuentes Dharma Gyaltsen Mariah A. Hoard<sup>\*\*\*</sup> Giselle Ibarra-Collado Sashana D. James-Pinnock\* Edwin A. Lobo David M. Misiaszek\*\*\* Nicole A. Palmer\*\* Lessandra A. Rodriguez\* Hannah E. Waugh\*

CSCU PATHWAY TRANSFER DEGREE: Computer Science Studies Associate in Arts

PATRICK BURTON, M.S., ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF COMPUTER SCIENCE

Derek J. Janca\*\*\*

Joshua Kuklinski

#### CSCU PATHWAY TRANSFER DEGREE: Exercise Science Studies Associate in Arts

Heidi Zenie, M.S., Professor of Exercise Science and Sports and Leisure Management

Gregory P. Kohler

Brendan D. Wood\*

*Key:* \* *Cum Laude (GPA 3.4–3.69),* 

\*\* Magna Cum Laude (GPA 3.7-3.89), \*\*\* Summa Cum Laude (GPA 3.9-4.0) Commencement honors are based on the cumulative grade point average (GPA) as of the Fall 2019 semester end.

Graduates receiving Spring 2020 honors will be listed on www.threerivers.edu/commencement.

CSCU PATHWAY TRANSFER DEGREE: HISTORY STUDIES Associate in Arts

TERRENCE DELANEY, PH.D., DEPARTMENT CHAIR, HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

 $Jacob \ W. \ Buckridge$ 

MICAH R. PERSON\*

CSCU PATHWAY TRANSFER DEGREE: MATHEMATICS STUDIES Associate in Arts

BRIAN KENNEDY, M.A., PROFESSOR OF MATHEMATICS

Corey D. Levesque

 ${\rm Maria} \ {\rm Trahan}^{**}$ 

CSCU PATHWAY TRANSFER DEGREE: Physics Studies Associate in Arts

ROBERT B. NIEDBALA, M.S., PROFESSOR OF PHYSICS AND MATHEMATICS

Paul J. Tomasto

#### CSCU PATHWAY TRANSFER DEGREE: POLITICAL SCIENCE STUDIES Associate in Arts

Philip E. Mayer, Jr., M.L.S., Professor of Economics and Political Science John F. Burnett II\*\* Breeze L. Floyd\*\*\*

> CSCU Pathway Transfer Degree: Psychology Studies Associate in Arts

DOV M. KUGELMASS, PH.D., PROFESSOR OF PSYCHOLOGY

Douglas P. Capazzi\* Amber N. Dubreuil\* Rhiannon A. Gates Karyna M. Jimenez Audrey Jones\* Tatum-Teresa P. Martin<sup>\*</sup> Shalyn Moran<sup>\*</sup> Trinity M. Pelloni Samantha R. Richard Jennifer L. Williams

#### CSCU PATHWAY TRANSFER DEGREE: SOCIAL WORK STUDIES Associate in Arts

JOYCE D. MARTIN, PH.D., PROFESSOR OF HUMAN SERVICES

Joseph W. Black\*\*\* Shannelle Hanson

Gillian Palmer\*

#### LIBERAL ARTS AND SCIENCES Associate in Arts

STEVEN NEUFELD, Ph.D., PROFESSOR OF SOCIOLOGY AND INTERNATIONAL STUDIES

ZACHARY J. AMARANTE\*\* HEATHER L. ANSELMO ERIKA L. AUSTIN IAN D. BACCHIOCCHI ANDREW J. BAER\*\* SETH M. BARR CARISSA K. BAXTER DEVIN M. BOUCHARD VICTORIA L. BOWLES JACOB C. CALVIN Ayla Capozzoli IARRETT A. CARTELL\*\* BRANDON A. CHANCE\* JORDAN M. CHENETTE\*\* MARIAN CHONG CUY\* ALLISON P. CILLEY\* ALINA M. COOMBS TIANA COOPER MEGAN DAME Ellie C. Davis\*\* YARA K. DEROUX Ashley Edouard BRIANA L. EVANS\* Alexander T. Fitzpatrick BREEZE L. FLOYD\*\*\* FRITNY A. FONTILUS ISABELLA A. FULKER\* Azariah C. Fuller RAHUL GANESH LACI D. GARDNER\* Ashley N. Gomez JENNIFER K. HANCOCK CHASTE J. HARRELL KASSANDRA A. HAYES\*\* NICHOLE E. HAYES\*

Key: \* Cum Laude (GPA 3.4-3.69), \*\* Magna Cum Laude (GPA 3.7-3.89), \*\*\* Summa Cum Laude (GPA 3.9-4.0) Althea M. Hine Justin D. Humphries Dylan M. Jascenia

Kristin A. Johnston\*\* **JENNIFER JOSEPH** LISA A. JOYNER\*\* Conner M. Kavanaugh BRETT A. KELLY Penelope Knowles\*\*\* JULIE A. LANG Megan E. Langevin **JACQUELIN N. LEBEAU** CLARA S. LEUZE\*\* Melissa J. Loos\* EVAN T. MALAVENDA MICHAEL B. MARTIN KARINA R. MCCREE Alexandria L. McKelvey\*\* PHILLIP MICHEL\*\* ABIGAIL K. MILLS NATHANAEL L. MOWAN\*\* Stephen R. Mowan\*\* MATTHEW I. MULLER\*\* ERIN M. MYLES AARON P. NYAMBE EMERSON PARKER CHELSEA A. PECK SUZIE PHILIBERT SILVIO A. OUERIDO Sheanna L. Rankin **JARED REEVES**\*\*\* Yudith Rumaldo Marrero Ashley Salvemini\*\* ANTON C. SMITH

Commencement honors are based on the cumulative grade point average (GPA) as of the Fall 2019 semester end.

Owen P. Smith Jenarie M. Spruielle Anandah M. Sutton Amanda G. Wagman\*\* Mackenzie J. Walsh Hannah E. Wheatcraft\*\*\* Justine N. Wheeler

#### Pathway to Teaching Careers Associate in Arts

JENNIFER NALLY, ED.D., PROFESSOR OF EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION

Karina A. Dawley Regina T. Grant Katrina E. Konow\* Hannah M. Perham\* Jesse M. Rockwell

## VISUAL FINE ARTS

Associate in Arts

SANDRA JEKNAVORIAN, M.F.A., PROFESSOR OF ART

Hoda M. Awad\* Ariana Bradley David Z. Fontaine\* Eric J. Gilmore Mallory N. Painter Makayla M. Richardson Julianna Q. Williams\*\*\* John R. Witherly II

## Associate in Science

#### Accounting Career Associate in Science

EDWIN R. MUENZNER '95, M.S.A.T., PROFESSOR OF ACCOUNTING

Elizabeth M. Avery\*\* Amy R. Breault Ryan P. Casey\* Pierre J. Charles Paul R. Chasse Madyson Coers Julie Craig\*\*\* Nicole D. Debroisse\*\* Jael R. Estrella Chance T. Hukill\* Yosmely Liranzo Rolando R. Martinez<sup>\*\*\*</sup> Samantha K. Peters<sup>\*\*</sup> Michele A. Swanson Anetta M. Torres-Krupa<sup>\*\*</sup> Lydia F. Trapp<sup>\*\*</sup> Maddison Travaglino<sup>\*</sup> Haley E. Truken Hayley J. Wagner<sup>\*\*</sup> Robert W. Warren<sup>\*\*\*</sup> Richard J. Wood Ryan Zeilman<sup>\*\*\*</sup>

#### BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION Associate in Science

JAMES O'SHEA, M.S., ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF MARKETING AND BUSINESS

Kam M. Babb\* Logan Baldoz Michael D. Bunch Ovidio R. Chaparro\* Kelyn G. Curitomay\*\*\* Sierra Deandrea Michelle T. Dougherty Jordan A. Dufault Alicia D. Dyer\* Jayvon T. Dyer Ann M. Everett\*\* Maxwell Hanson Sashana D. James-Pinnock\* Nicholas J. Krajcik Rebecca A. Magyar Devin M. McGowan Catherine Y. Mejia Haley E. Moon Elizabeth A. Morgan\* J.B. M. Parker Haydee D. Pepe\* Gregory A. Rezendes Steven Shenkle Mark A. Simmert\*\* Jared M. Soto Jacob J. St Germain Chanelle Y. Taylor Anetta M. Torres-Krupa\*\* Johanna M. Villegas-Castillo\* Renee J. Watrous\*\*

Key: \* Cum Laude (GPA 3.4-3.69),

\*\* Magna Cum Laude (GPA 3.7-3.89), \*\*\* Summa Cum Laude (GPA 3.9-4.0) Commencement honors are based on the cumulative grade point average (GPA) as of the Fall 2019 semester end.

Certified Clinical Medical Assistant Associate in Science

Edith Ouellet, Ed.D., Director of Nursing and Allied Health

Kimberly Accede\* Melissa Amaro Bryanna A. Camp Alina M. Coombs Luisa F. Duarte-Gutierrez Kelsey Grzelak\* Nicole A. Grzelak Lindsey McKee\* Kim M. Rosenthal\*\* Gabrielle N. Smith Allisyn N. Spicer Kathy W. Veloz\* Jessica S. Wheeler\* Kelly M. Wierzbicki

Computer Science Technology Associate in Science

PATRICK BURTON, M.S., ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF COMPUTER SCIENCE

Christopher A. Jones Sachi A. Patel Lydia F. Trapp\*\*

#### CRIMINAL JUSTICE Associate in Science

JEFFREY A. CROUCH, PH.D., PROFESSOR OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE

Emmanuel Alexandre Malcolm A. Allen Bear M. Barkhurst\* Nicole M. Betulia\* Kristen Cables Bryant A. Campos Sanchez Austin L. Canova Heather A. Carlsen Darren R. D'Amico Debera L. Donovan Christina M. Formiglio Shannondoa Gaertner Roselle S. Garchitorena\* Elizabeth Gauthier Eli Grous Ashley M. Haggett Tyler S. Hughes Nathaniel B. Jean Sevda N. Kalican Brianna M. Lally Devon T. Lamoureux Stormi J. Letourneau Brighton L. McShane Emily M. Ramirez Jaron C. Reed Anthony D. Ruggiero Shariff Sanchez Ashley M. Todaro Caitlynn R. Wiese

Graduates receiving Spring 2020 honors will be listed on www.threerivers.edu/commencement.

EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION Associate in Science

SHEILA SKAHAN, M.S., PROFESSOR OF EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION

Marissa R. Alfield<sup>\*\*</sup> Jessica Butler<sup>\*\*</sup> Patricia M. Hanson Payton K. Howser Hannah Kupis Alexis Parker<sup>\*</sup> Samantha A. Regine Stacey A. Rivard<sup>\*</sup> Jhannah R. Rivers Jennifer L. Tussing Arianna N. Velez<sup>\*</sup> Justice Wilk Christie A. Wood<sup>\*\*\*</sup>

Electrical, Laser & Robotics Engineering Technology Associate in Science

AARON DAHLEN, M.S., ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING TECHNOLOGY

Nikolai J. Famiglietti Jared G. Kolada\* Aiden M. McVicker Edward Velez Nicholas E. Wycoff

#### Engineering Science

Associate in Science

MARK J. VESLIGAJ, M.S., PROFESSOR OF ENGINEERING SCIENCE

Christopher Annino\*\*\* Sara A. Armas\*\* Christopher J. Bean\* Christopher M. Berg\*\*\* Zachary J. Brayman\* Jessica A. Canty\* Wilfredo G. Dolores Santana Aston S. Foley William B. Harwood\*\*\* Vadim V. Mostavlyuk Johnathan O'Neill Pujan V. Patadia\* Christopher Pedersen Collin E. Poore\* Georgios A. Provatas Jose A. Rios Espinal Kristen Schadtle Alexi Soto Cody T. Sowell\* Maya I. Waldron Nicholas E. Wycoff

#### Environmental Engineering Technology Associate in Science

DIBA A. KHAN-BUREAU, PH.D., PROFESSOR OF ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEERING TECHNOLOGY

Hayle A. Clark Tyanne M. Mateo-Petry Nicholas C. Nado\*\* Marie L. Parry Ashley Wibel\* Emily Woodin\*

Key: \* Cum Laude (GPA 3.4-3.69), \*\* Magna Cum Laude (GPA 3.7-3.89), \*\*\* Summa Cum Laude (GPA 3.9-4.0) Commencement honors are based on the cumulative grade point average (GPA) as of the Fall 2019 semester end.

#### Exercise Science Associate in Science

HEIDI ZENIE, M.S., PROFESSOR OF EXERCISE SCIENCE AND SPORTS AND LEISURE MANAGEMENT

Christina Hood Elias J. Illescas\*\*\* HUNTER R. LEWIS

#### General Studies Associate in Science

#### STEVEN NEUFELD, Ph.D., PROFESSOR OF SOCIOLOGY AND INTERNATIONAL STUDIES

Dylan A. Ackerman SUYEON AN\*\*\* HEATHER L. ANSELMO Krista L. Anthony\* MARY C. BAUDRO\* DAVID T. BAUER\*\*\* JULIE A. BECK Alana M. Berkman\* TARA L. BILLUPS Donna Blackman MALLORY L. BOULAY\* KRISTIN L. CASEY **JASON CHAVEZ** MANDY L. CLUFF HANNAH C. CONNORS\* IAMIE M. CONNORS\*\* CATHERINE M. CROUCH IAMIE L. DAVIS\*\* TIFFANY J. DELANCY GRACE M. DELUCIA MICHAEL F. DICKEY Manjola Dodani Isaac P. Doggart MORVIN DUCROISY TISHA M. DUGGAN\*\*\* Megine L. Eliassaint CHRISTOPHER FERRAND HALEY R. GAGNON LEYNNY B. GARCIA-JOHNSON OLIVIA M. GENTRY GRIFFEN L. GOODEN HEATHER D. GRISHAM SAMUEL L. GUSHURST BRITTANY S. HARPIN ELIZABETH J. HARRAKA

Kendra E. Harris Letecia U. Harris\* VICTORIA HARTMANN LINDSAY L. HELFRICH\* Korianne M. Hillyer-Timmerman KELLY A. HOWSER\*\* Megan Jacobs Moriah Jensen\* **IOSEPH KELLER\*** LINDSAY M. KELLY\*\* SARA E. KELLY KATHERINE L. KRUG LISA A. KUTNESKI\*\*\* RACHEL G. LABAK\*\* **BETHANY LAFRAMBOISE** Abigail E. Leach AUSTIN LEVINE\* Molly A. Linder\*\*\* NICHOLAS J. LITKE\* BIANCA A. MACLELLAN ANDREA L. MAILLET NATHAN MAIN ELIZABETH C. MANLEY MADISON MARCAVAGE SHARON L. MASON\* DARRYLE MCCLINTON CAILIN L. McClung\* LINDSAY J. MCELROY SARAH M. MESSICK **JESSICA L. MICHAUD** KEYANE S. MILES\* ZACKARY V. MINGO LUCY L. MOORE SHARON MOTT\* CLOTHILDE MUKAWERA\*

Graduates receiving Spring 2020 honors will be listed on www.threerivers.edu/commencement.

KATHLEEN L. MURPHY\*\*\* MARK M. NYGAARD\* Joshua L. Oswald\*\* Moriah E. Payne SUMMER G. PELLEGRINI\*\* ALYSSA PESCATELLO HERMINEGILDO A. PHEE II LIZA P. PICKENS MAEVE PIERCE KATHRYN V. PIERRE TESSA L. PLUMMER\*\*\* KELSEY M. ROSBORG Dominioue Roussy\*\* RYAN W. SANDERS JESSICA E. SEMMELROCK **JESSICA C. SEVIGNY**\*\* KIM T. SINCLAIR MICHAEL C. SMITH Shannon M. Smith\*\* ESCOTT O. SMITH III

DARIA J. SNOKE DAVID D. SYKORA RONALD F. TETRAULT\*\*\* Christopher A. Toledo **RONISHA N. TOLLIVER** BRITTANY L. TURNER LAVAR L. VALENTINE **JUSTIN M. VANCE Reginald Veillard** Keith M. Verraneault\*\* TAYLOR M. VERTEFEUILLE AIDAN WALLS GABRIELLE N. WATROUS **IOSEPH H. WESELCOUCH** MARY WILCOX\*\* AARON L. WILLIAMS JONATHAN T. WILLIAMS KATIE WILLIAMS\*\* ALEXUS M. WILSON Tyler X. Zolkowski

#### GRAPHIC DESIGN Associate in Science

KEVIN AMENTA, M.A., ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF GRAPHIC DESIGN AND COMMUNICATION

Sebastian C. Bartosiak Christopher J. Boyle\*\* Michelle A. Chenail Jerico V. Ciliano\* Ariana A. Cloutier\* Kirsten E. Galloway\*\*\* Colin A. Kmiecik Bianca M. Lane Linda L. Mossberg<sup>\*</sup> Tucker R. Noniewicz<sup>\*</sup> Jessica O'Brien Tyler W. Riddle John R. White Samantha W. Zod

HUMAN SERVICES Associate in Science

JOYCE D. MARTIN, PH.D., PROFESSOR OF HUMAN SERVICES

Dominique R. Daggett McKenzie T. Gauthier Sharon Gosselin\*\* Alyson M. Hartung Mary E. Hinton\* Jordan I. Judge Rebecca K. Kopecinski Deeann T. Morton<sup>\*</sup> Vanessa L. Nieves Tammy L. Phillips Rahmeik C. Watson

*Key:* \* *Cum Laude (GPA 3.4–3.69),* 

\*\* Magna Cum Laude (GPA 3.7–3.89), \*\*\* Summa Cum Laude (GPA 3.9–4.0) Commencement honors are based on the cumulative grade point average (GPA) as of the Fall 2019 semester end.

Manufacturing Engineering Technology Associate in Science

MICHAEL GENTRY, M.S., ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF ENGINEERING

Bennet T. Perry

BRIAN T. RASIMAS

Mechanical Engineering Technology Associate in Science

Michael Gentry, M.S., Assistant Professor of Engineering

Christopher A.  $Knight^*$ 

MATTHEW T. PETERSON\*\*\*

NUCLEAR ENGINEERING TECHNOLOGY Associate in Science

JAMES R. SHERRARD, PH.D., PROFESSOR OF NUCLEAR ENGINEERING TECHNOLOGY

Matthew L. Berky\* Blake D. Brochu Tory S. Burgess\* Sergio R. Colletti Tristan L. Dubreuil\*\* Jakob R. Fontaine Steven Herrick Besmir Kami Patrick M. Kearns\* Jarred F. Kennedy Corey D. Levesque Cameron T. Macko Eric B. Moller\*\*\* Faysal S. Prodhan James H. Rutty Joseph L. Whitmore

#### Nursing Associate in Science

Edith Ouellet, Ed.D., Director of Nursing and Allied Health

LISA H. BALDWIN SARAH M. BEHNE MA AGNES BOOC KATHRINE BUSTAMANTE Amanda Caouette **JESSICA CHAPPELLE** KATELYN E. CHENAIL CHRISTINA A. CORMIER\* Kelly Costin ELISE M. COUILLARD LINDSAY M. DANNER CHRISTINE E. DAVID NICHOLE L. DAVIS NICOLE I. DAVIS\* ANAH G. DEANGELIS Alyssa B. DeCrosta

COURTNEY M. DUFF Kelsey N. Durand HEATHER L. DYER CARMEN M. FELO DANIELLE M. FLOYD HELEN FORBES ELISA C. FORMIGLIO HANNAH B. FORSTER MARA E. FOWLER KATHERINE E. GAGNIER LACI D. GARDNER\* MARIA L. GRABILL KAREN M. GREB KIMBERLEE F. GROHOCKI SHERIDAN S. GROVES HEATHER J. GRUWELL

ASHLEY A. HAYE KOURTNEY S. IRONS Meghan L. Ivey **EVELYN** JOHNSON KIARI JOHNSON-CLAUDIO\* KATHRYN KAY KATHLEEN P. KENYON Tea Kutrolli RUZ N. LINARES KIMBERLY A. LINARES-TORRES Amanda M. Marchand AMBER M. MARSHALL LINDA C. MARTIN\* Emily A. May\* FALLON E. McIvor CHELSEA N. MCOUOWN DONNA M. MILLER TAYLOR M. MILLER Alexander C. Nelson Ashley T. Nichols KRISTINA L. ODDO STEFANIE C. OWENS TABITHA PARCIAK KIMBERLY D. PEDCHENKO\*\*

JASMINE L. PERKINS\* KATELYNNE J. PLUSS RAY R. RINKES Beth A. Rogers KAYLYN A. SADLER\* VANESSA L. SANCHEZ Keleigh I. Santarcangelo VALERIE SAVINO BETTY L. SCHAND **JESSICA L. SCRIVANO** NOELLE E. SOSTRE\* SONIA M. STAVENS SHANICE S. STERLING DOLMA T. TAMANG CARRIE L. TETREAULT Magdalena Tkaczuk Lizbeth R. Tomasto Solis APRIL TYLERHEAPS CHELSEA L. VOELKER **IIRAPORN S. WALTON** BRANDON H. WENZEL **Kelsi Wilhoit CINDY-JO YOUSSEF** ASHLEY W. ZUPAN

#### Sports and Leisure Management Associate in Science

Heidi Zenie, M.S., Professor of Exercise Science and Sports and Leisure Management

Joeseph A. Arpin Jr. Christina Hood TIFFANY S. LAZUR Shawn M. Novick

## **TECHNOLOGY STUDIES**

Associate in Science

MARK J. VESLIGAJ, M.S., PROFESSOR OF ENGINEERING SCIENCE

Jeffrey T. Dreimiller\* Zachary T. Truelson Rebecca J. Whewell\*

*Key:* \* *Cum Laude (GPA 3.4–3.69),* 

\*\* Magna Cum Laude (GPA 3.7-3.89), \*\*\* Summa Cum Laude (GPA 3.9-4.0) Commencement honors are based on the cumulative grade point average (GPA) as of the Fall 2019 semester end.

## Certificate

#### Accounting

Certificate

EDWIN R. MUENZNER '95, M.S.A.T., PROFESSOR OF ACCOUNTING

Colleen M. Strapazzon\*\* Gabrielle L. Vigue Ryan Zeilman\*\*\*

#### Business Administration Certificate

JAMES O'SHEA, M.S., ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF MARKETING AND BUSINESS LAURA E. Edelstein\*\* Amanda Lanphear

CASE MANAGEMENT

CERTIFICATE

JOYCE D. MARTIN, PH.D., PROFESSOR OF HUMAN SERVICES

MARY E. HINTON\*

RAHMEIK C. WATSON

#### Computer-Aided Drafting Certificate

MICHAEL GENTRY, M.S., ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF ENGINEERING

Ariel S. Quinones

Christopher A. Reynolds

#### Construction Management Certificate

MARK COMEAU, M.S., DEPARTMENT CHAIR, BUSINESS AND TECHNOLOGIES DANIELLE M. PUCCI\* LYONEL M. WHITE

## Environmental Health and Safety Management Certificate

DIBA A. KHAN-BUREAU, PH.D., PROFESSOR OF ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEERING TECHNOLOGY

Heather A. Lussier Nicholas C. Nado\*\* Jaden Sperling Emily Woodin\*

Graduates receiving Spring 2020 honors will be listed on www.threerivers.edu/commencement.

#### General Studies Certificate

Steven Neufeld, Ph.D., Professor of Sociology and International Studies Lillie B. Kuhn Brittney M. Serra\*

> LASER & FIBER OPTIC TECHNOLOGY Certificate

Michael Gentry, M.S., Assistant Professor of Engineering

Samantha R. Paecht\*\*

LIBRARY TECHNOLOGY Certificate

MARIE SHAW, ED.D., PROGRAM COORDINATOR, LIBRARY TECHNOLOGY

Laurie A. Irving Gardner<sup>\*\*\*</sup> Sharon E. Martovich<sup>\*\*\*</sup> Peggy M. McNamara<sup>\*\*\*</sup> Amanda L. Surrell Vanessa Verrilli\*

#### Mechanical/Electrical Manufacturing Basics Certificate

MARK J. VESLIGAJ, M.S., PROFESSOR OF ENGINEERING SCIENCE

Jared D. Bennett Joseph P. Besade Crystal-Rose Boulet Peter J. Dickson Derek R. DiGioia\* Brandon Field David M. Flaherty Randal C. Francis Brandon J. Fulton Robert A. Hamel\* Kyle J. Hill Frederick L. LaFountain\*\*\* Jenny T. Lazo Neira D'Ann M. McNeil Jaime L. Palomino Catherine M. Pereira\* Freya L. Phelps\*\*\* Konrad Poznanski Daniel J. Rancourt Eric J. Watson Rachanee Wysgoll\* Katelyn Zubritsky

*Key:* \* *Cum Laude (GPA 3.4–3.69),* 

\*\* Magna Cum Laude (GPA 3.7-3.89), \*\*\* Summa Cum Laude (GPA 3.9-4.0) Commencement honors are based on the cumulative grade point average (GPA) as of the Fall 2019 semester end.

The entire faculty and staff of Three Rivers Community College wishes the Class of 2020 The best in happiness, health, and success.

We hope you never lose the will to learn. As you seek to make your difference in life, please remember this quote from Ralph Waldo Emerson.

> "To laugh often and much; To win the respect of intelligent people and the affection of children; To earn the appreciation of honest critics and endure the betrayal of false friends; To appreciate beauty, to find the best in others; To leave the world a bit better, whether by a healthy child, a garden patch, or a redeemed social condition; To know even one life has breathed easier because you have lived. This is to have succeeded."

> > Ralph Waldo Emerson (1803 -1882) American Essayist & Poet

## Mission of Three Rivers Community College

THREE RIVERS is an accessible, affordable, and culturally diverse community college that meets varied educational needs by creating an environment that stimulates learning.

To accomplish its mission, Three Rivers Community College:

- Offers post-secondary educational opportunities;
- Encourages lifelong learning;
- Provides a well-rounded and rewarding educational experience with an emphasis on critical thinking, effective communication, and the College's institutional values;
- Fosters an appreciation of the natural and social sciences, humanities, technology, and the arts;
- Helps students achieve their goals;
- Serves as a community resource for people and institutions within its service area;
- · Delivers its services efficiently and measurably; and
- Contributes to the economic development of this region and the state.

## About Three Rivers Community College

On May 9, 1962, ground was broken for the construction of a local community college soon to be named the Norwich State Technical Institute. The first students began classes in September 1963. The name was changed in 1964 to Thames Valley State Technical College, with the first graduation taking place in 1965. In 1970, Mohegan Community College was also formed in Norwich.

In 1992, Thames Valley State Technical College and Mohegan Community College were combined to form Three Rivers Community College, a name that was chosen to reflect the geographical nature of the region. The first commencement as Three Rivers Community College was held in 1993. The two campuses were consolidated to the current location, and in the fall of 2009, Three Rivers officially opened its doors to students with a new complex that featured state-of-the-art classrooms, and science and computer laboratories. In addition to the main campus in Norwich, there is also the new Three Rivers Community College Manufacturing Apprenticeship Center in Groton as well as an instructional center located at the Naval Submarine Base in Groton.

The student population consists of approximately 4,000 students enrolled in degree and certificate programs each semester, and 2,500 students in the Workforce and Community Education program each year. Through the integration of technical, career, and liberal arts programs within the College, Three Rivers students are able to move with greater ease from one program to another.

#### WHAT MAKES THREE RIVERS UNIQUE?

Three Rivers is an excellent choice for students pursuing studies beyond high school. The College offers 50 Associate Degree programs and 12 Certificate programs. Programs range Manufacturing from Engineering Technology, Exercise Science, and Nursing to Early Childhood Education, Design, Graphic and Business Administration. Students can also transfer credits earned at Three Rivers to state universities and private colleges in order to attain a bachelor's degree or higher in the field of their choice.

The Workforce and Community Education Department (WCE) offers

non-credit on-campus classes as well as hundreds of online courses. Training and certification in various fields, such as Allied Health, Real Estate, Safe Boating, and Security Officer Training, help those who are looking to begin a new career as well as those who want to learn more to advance in their current positions.

WCE also partners with employers in promoting and implementing educational training programs. This includes developing courses for the Eastern Advanced Manufacturing Alliance (EAMA), representing over 70 manufacturers from eastern and southeastern Connecticut. Three Rivers is also a critical partner with the Eastern Workforce Investment Board (EWIB) and General Dynamics/Electric Boat, developing the Eastern Connecticut Manufacturing Pipeline programs. Previously, these programs were funded by a \$5 million US Department of Labor Workforce Innovation Grant, one of only six awarded in the country, and the only project focusing on manufacturing.

Three Rivers also expanded its manufacturing training programs with the new 8,500 square foot, stateof-the art TRCC Manufacturing Apprenticeship Center (MAC) that is the first of its kind in the nation. The MAC is a flexible space that simulates factory conditions using the actual machinery that students will encounter on the job. It is a hub for manufacturing training of all levels in a variety of disciplines and trades.

Many scholarship opportunities are available, and students are encouraged to apply each semester. These scholarships provide financial support for our students beyond the traditional financial aid.

Three Rivers has a very active Student Programs department with many activities, events and over 30 clubs and organizations.

The College meets the diverse needs of the community by creating an environment that stimulates learning, while at the same time providing comprehensive, accessible, affordable and innovative educational opportunities.

## Presidential Medallion

At her inauguration, Dr. Jukoski received her Presidential Medallion from then President of Connecticut State Colleges and Universities, Dr. Gregory Gray. The Presidential Medallion, like the College Mace and academic regalia, comes to us from medieval Europe. The display of a heavy medallion and chain of office represents the weight of responsibility for the wearer. The chain itself connotes strength in unity, as well as strong communication. The Presidential Medallion is worn by the College President at all formal academic ceremonies. It bears the Connecticut State Seal which is a shield depicting three grape vines, supported and bearing fruit. Below the shield is a streamer bearing the motto:

"Qui Transtulit Sustinet" (He Who Transplanted Still Sustains)

## THE MACE

During the Middle Ages, the wood mace clad in metal was an effective weapon in battle, but as newer and more powerful arms developed, it was transformed into a symbol of dignity and authority.

The earliest ceremonial maces were borne by bodyguards of 12th century English and French kings. By the end of the 16th century they were used widely. The ceremonial mace is found in the British House of Parliament and is carried before ecclesiastical dignitaries.

The Academic Mace symbolizes the independence, strength, and authority of academic institutions, and is usually carried by a senior faculty member who leads the ceremonial procession at occasions such as convocations, commencements, and presidential inaugurations. The mace precedes the president in processions and represents the president's responsibility as the chief academic and administrative officer of the institution.

The Three Rivers Community College Mace is adorned with the three seals of Thames Valley State Technical College, founded in 1963; Mohegan Community College, founded in 1970; and Three Rivers Community College, formed in 1992 by the legislative merger of Thames Valley and Mohegan. The Thames Valley Seal was designed by staff member Ann Turcotte in 1963. The Mohegan Seal was designed by author Wally Lamb in 1970, when he was a student at the University of Connecticut. The Three Rivers Community College Seal was designed by Three Rivers student James Cady in 2008.

## Academic Regalia

American Academic Dress originated at medieval British universities. The gown is normally black and the cut of the gown indicates the level of the degree. The Bachelor's gown is simple and recognized by its long, pointed sleeves. The Master's gown is fuller, and its sleeves are square at the ends. The Doctoral gown is more elaborate, cut full with velvet down the front and around the neck of the gown. The sleeves are bell-shaped and decorated with three horizontal chevrons.

#### HOODS

The hood is the most distinctive feature of the academic regalia. The length of the hood and width of its velvet border indicate the level of the degree. The color of the border indicates the field of study in which the degree was earned and the inner lining bears the colors of the institution that conferred the degree. The colors for academic fields established by the American Council on Education in 1959 include:

#### COLORS INDICATING FIELDS OF LEARNING

Arts, Letters, Humanities	White
Commerce, Accountancy, Business	Drab
Economics	Copper
Education	Light Blue
Engineering	Orange
Fine Arts	Brown
Journalism	Crimson
Law	Purple
Library Science	Lemon
Music	Pink
Nursing	Apricot
Philosophy	Dark Blue
Physical Education	Sage Green
Public Administration	Peacock Blue
Science	Golden Yellow
Social Work	
Theology	Scarlet

#### TASSELS ON THE MORTARBOARD

Students graduating "cum laude" are wearing a bronze tassel. Those graduating "magna cum laude" are wearing a silver tassel and those graduating "summa cum laude" are wearing a gold tassel.

#### STOLES AND CORDS

Students affiliated with the following academic and leadership honor societies wear stoles and/or cords:

Phi Theta Kappa, the national honor society of students attending community and two year colleges – gold stole and/ or blue and gold solid cords

Kappa Beta Delta, the national honor society of business programs at twoyear institutions – blue stole

Sigma Alpha Pi, the national honor society of leadership and success – silver stole and/or silver and black cords

Graduating military veterans wear red, white and blue intertwined cords.

Lavender Graduation participants wear black stoles with rainbow accents.

Students who have achieved excellence in leadership of the following clubs and associations wear honor cords:

- Alpha Omega Christian Club (AOCC) – gold
- American Institute of Architectural Students (AIAS) – white and wedgewood blue
- Anime Club royal blue, silver, and purple, intertwined
- Art Club red, blue, and yellow
- Baseball Club red and blue
- Future Educators kelly green and purple, intertwined

- Karaoke Club black and yellow, intertwined
- Mind Your Mental Health purple and teal
- National Association of Hispanic Nurses – blue, green, and orange
- Psychology Club silver and navy
- Sexual Identity and Gender Minority Advocates (SIGMA) – rainbow
- Student Government Association (SGA) – gold, red, and blue, intertwined
- Student Nursing Association (SNA) – purple, teal, and ecru, intertwined
- Student Performing Arts Group purple
- Students Advocating Gender Equality (SAGE) – purple, white, and gold, intertwined
- The Writers' Guild black, navy, and white, intertwined
- Three Rivers Aquatic Activists navy blue and teal, intertwined
- Three Rivers United Environmentalists (TRUE) – green
- Video Game Club (VGC) blue, red, and green, intertwined
- Voices of the River blue, green, and white, intertwined

## Alumni Charge

On behalf of the Three Rivers alumni community, we congratulate you on your academic accomplishments and welcome you as members of the alumni. Today, by virtue of your graduation, you are joining other Three Rivers alumni.

Commencement is not an ending, but a beginning. Your relationship with Three Rivers will not end today, but rather, evolve into a new form. As you move out with hope and courage into your careers or further education, you will want to maintain close ties with your Alma Mater. We are counting on you to remember your education. This is your College! We ask you to take this ownership seriously by maintaining your connection to Three Rivers.

So today, your alumni community extends to you an invitation to begin this lifelong relationship with your Alma Mater. Stay in touch. Let our Office of Institutional Advancement know where you are and what your latest accomplishments are. Get involved. And, through your individual support and work with other alumni, help keep Three Rivers an outstanding institution for future generations. Your efforts will help ensure that years from now, you will still be able to point with pride to your graduation. Go out and distinguish yourself and Three Rivers by succeeding in your life's goals.

Once again, congratulations and our warmest welcome to the proud family of Three Rivers alumni!

- Three Rivers Community College Alumni Association

#### Connecticut State Colleges and Universities Board of Regents for Higher Education

Matt Fleury, Chair Dr. Merle W. Harris, Vice Chair Richard J. Balducci Aviva D. Budd Naomi K. Cohen Felice Gray-Kemp Holly Howery David R. Jimenez Dr. Peter M. Rosa JoAnn Ryan Elease E. Wright Elena Ruiz *(student regent)* 

Ex-Officio Dr. Miguel A. Cardona Renée D. Coleman-Mitchell Del Cummings Dr. William Lugo David Lehman Kurt Westby

Mark E. Ojakian, President Connecticut State Colleges and Universities (CSCU)

#### Three Rivers College Foundation Board of Directors

William Stanley, President Lawrence + Memorial Hospital

Christopher Jewell, Vice President Collins & Jewell Co., Inc.

TESSA JORDAN, CPA, TREASURER NICOLA & YESTER COMPANY, PC

Jennifer Delucia, Secretary Chelsea Groton Bank

Andrea E. Camoin, CHFC Mariner Financial Group, LLC

Scott Donovan G. Donovan Associates, Inc.

Christopher Gauthier Dime Bank

LEE-ANN GOMES CITY OF NORWICH, SOCIAL SERVICES

Lisa Griffin Eastern Connecticut Savings Bank

> Nikki S. Gullickson Community Volunteer

> > Trad Horner Dominion Energy

KATHLEEN M. LACOMBE, AIA KML Architects, LLC

> Dina Lopes People's United Bank

Cathy Osten Connecticut State Senator

Jemiel Rose CT State Colleges & Universities

GINA ST. JEAN, MSN, RN WILLIAM W. BACKUS HOSPITAL

Mark E. Tramontozzi , M.D. Surgical Associates of Norwich, LLC

> <u>Ex-Officio</u> Mary Ellen Jukoski, Ed.D. *President, TRCC*

Betty C. Baillargeon '94 Director of Institutional Advancement, TRCC

> Nicola H. Ricker, M.S. Associate Professor of Science Faculty Liaison, TRCC

Sashana James-Pinnock Student Representative, TRCC

## STAR-SPANGLED BANNER

By Francis Scott Key, 1814

O say can you see, by the dawn's early light, What so proudly we hail'd at the twilight's last gleaming, Whose broad stripes and bright stars through the perilous fight O'er the ramparts we watch'd were so gallantly streaming?

And the rocket's red glare, the bomb bursting in air, Gave proof through the night that our flag was still there, O say does that star-spangled banner yet wave O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave?



574 New London Turnpike, Norwich, CT 06360 | (860) 215-9000

WWW.THREERIVERS.EDU