2022

Graduate and PhD Commencement Ceremony Saturday, May 21, 2022



ORDER OF EXERCISES

McCallum Graduate School of Business Commencement

PRELUDE

Boston Brass Ensemble Dave Burdett, Conductor

PROCESSIONAL*

Boston Brass Ensemble

ACADEMIC PROCESSION

Iris Berdrow, PhD, Ceremonial Marshal

PRESIDING

E. LaBrent Chrite, PhD, President

INVOCATION (The audience is requested to remain standing after the invocation.) Rev. Ian Mevorach, PhD, Program Coordinator, Interfaith Engagement, Spiritual Life Center

AMERICA THE BEAUTIFUL

Boston Brass Ensemble (See page 17 for lyrics)

WELCOME

E. LaBrent Chrite, PhD

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Doctor of Commercial Science Robert L. Reynolds President and Chief Executive Officer, Putnam Investments

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CONGRATULATIONS AND CONCLUDING REMARKS

E. LaBrent Chrite, PhD

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CITATION FOR HONORARY DEGREE

ROBERT L. REYNOLDS

President and Chief Executive Officer, Putnam Investments

Robert L. Reynolds, innovator in financial services, master of retirement readiness, reformer of workplace savings plans, we are proud to confer upon you today the honorary degree Doctor of Commercial Science.

You have built a distinguished career in financial services, embracing innovation as a game-changer in the industry. You also credit early experience as an NCAA referee for sharpening your eye to spot a winning team.

Putnam Investments was struggling through an economic downturn when you joined the firm in 2008. You were well up to the challenge of improving performance across the company's range of investment funds. One year later, Putnam Investments was ranked the No. 1 fund family based on 2009 performance. The registered investment channel alone rose from \$70 million to \$700 million. At the end of March 2022, Putnam Investments had \$192 billion in assets under management.

You argue strongly for revitalizing the nation's public and private retirement systems. You have testified before Congress and addressed industry organizations and think tanks around the world on all aspects of retirement policy. Bold action, you say, will create the next generation of 401(k) workplace savings plans.

In 2018, "accomplished author" joined your portfolio of professional credits. Your book From Here to Security proposes a "workplace 4.0 agenda" to address the pressing issue of millions of Americans who are nearing retirement with little money saved. It speaks to your belief that it is possible and necessary to create a more accessible and inclusive retirement system.

Your civic leadership and philanthropic spirit have earned accolades. The Inspire Arts and Music Champion Award, for example, recognizes your work with youth organizations and arts programs in Greater Boston. You serve on multiple not-for-profit boards, including the Concord Museum, Dana-Farber Cancer Institute and U.S. Ski and Snowboard Association Foundation. Every role demonstrates your commitment to invest in others — and serves as a beacon to empower and inspire.

Therefore, by virtue of the authority vested by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and by the Bentley University Board of Trustees, we confer upon you, Robert L. Reynolds, the degree Doctor of Commercial Science, honoris causa. We hold it both a pleasure and an honor to do so.

E. LaBrent Chrite, PhD President

laBus chita HOC J. Paul Condrin III '83, P '19 '22 Chair, Board of Trustees

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AMERICA THE BEAUTIFUL

by Katharine Lee Bates

O beautiful for spacious skies, For amber waves of grain For purple mountain majesties Above the fruited plain! America! America! God shed His grace on thee And crown thy good with brotherhood From sea to shining sea!

O beautiful for patriot dream That sees beyond the years Thine alabaster cities gleam Undimmed by human tears! America! America! God shed His grace on thee And crown thy good with brotherhood From sea to shining sea!

COMMENCEMENT TRADITIONS

Much that is seen during today's ceremony derives from medieval English custom, when kings and their courts were closely associated with Oxford University and the Church of England.

The Academic Procession

The procession begins with the ceremonial marshal carrying the mace, followed by the degree candidates; the faculty; and the platform party, including the Commencement speaker, honored guests, and members of the Board of Trustees. The president is the final person in the academic procession.

Ceremonial Mace

A mace was originally a weapon of war, consisting of a long club with a ball of steel at the end. It was a symbol of authority and power. Today, governing bodies such as the United States Congress, the British Parliament, and universities around the world use a mace or scepter to represent the power of the governing institution. The academic mace has come to symbolize the authority of colleges and universities to confer degrees upon candidates who have earned the privilege. The ceremonial or academic mace is carried in procession and mounted on the stage whenever degrees are granted or when the faculty is assembled in formal academic dress.

The Presidential Chain

The presidential chain or collar consists of elaborate links and a medallion bearing the seal of Bentley University; it is worn on ceremonial occasions with academic regalia. The chain symbolizes the authority and responsibility vested in the president and is conferred at inauguration by the chair of the Board of Trustees.

Academic Regalia

Academic regalia had its origin in the Middle Ages and varied in design until standardized by the American Intercollegiate Commission in 1894. The different styles of hoods, mortars, and cassock-like gowns indicate the academic discipline and highest degree of the wearer.

Doctoral Regalia: The doctoral robe displays the Bentley University colors: blue and gold. Its sleeves are very full and bell-shaped; three velvet bars run across the sleeves and down the front of the gown. The eight-sided tam features a gold metallic tassel. The doctor of philosophy hood is trimmed in blue and adorned with a gold chevron.

Undergraduate and Graduate Regalia: Bachelor's gowns have long, pointed sleeves. The master's gowns have long, closed sleeves with slits at the wrist with the base hanging and square-cut.

Hood: The length of the hood indicates the degree being conferred. The bachelor's is the shortest; the doctoral is the longest and has panels on each side. The hoods are lined with satin, in colors reflecting the particular college or university that awarded the degree. The colors of Bentley University are blue and gold. The hood's velvet border indicates the field of study in which the degree was earned.

- Arts, Letters, Humanities: White
- Accountancy and Business: Beige/Drab
- Economics: Copper ■ Education: Light Blue
- Fine Arts: Brown ■ Law: Purple
- Library Science: Lemon Yellow
- Math: Yellow

- Medicine: Kelly Green
- Music: Pink
- Nursing: Apricot
- Philosophy: Dark Blue
- Physical Education: Sage Green
- Public Administration: Peacock Blue
- Science: Golden Yellow
- Social Science: Citron
- Theology and Divinity: Scarlet

Cap and Tassel: While some institutions have selected the soft, round hats of the style worn by medieval scholars, Bentley University has adopted the Oxford cap usually referred to as a mortarboard. The color of the tassel indicates the area of academic study and is worn on the right side of the cap until the degree is conferred. Graduates are then instructed to move the tassel to the left side. A select list of colors:

- Bachelor of Arts: White
- Bachelor of Science in Business: Beige/Drab
- Master of Science in Business: Beige/Drab

DEAR CLASS OF 2022

On behalf of your Global Alumni Board, congratulations and welcome to the Bentley Alumni Association, a worldwide network in which you are now a lifelong member!

You now have access to a community of more than 67,000 graduates, who stand ready to help you succeed in your post-Bentley journey. I encourage you to take full advantage of it by staying involved.

There are so many ways to engage with Bentley. Attending alumni events in person and virtually, returning to campus for Family Weekend and Reunion, mentoring current or prospective students, and recruiting top talent into your workplace — are just a few. Alumni are active in many geographic areas and companies throughout the world, so wherever you next call home, please connect!

Bentley has provided us all with amazing experiences, memories and friendships. Our alumni network spans the globe and is composed of diverse, successful and motivated alumni looking to make an impact in business and society. We are confident that staying connected to Bentley and to your fellow Falcons will yield great dividends in your future endeavors.

Our fellow alumni have gone on to do great things, and we look forward to seeing what this next chapter holds for each of you. Over the years, alumni support of the Bentley Fund has helped make Bentley the exceptional experience it is. We hope that you will continue that tradition of giving back, and help ensure that the students following in your footsteps receive the same outstanding education that you had.

Remember, the Bentley Alumni Association is here to help you in any way we can!

I wish you the very best!

Danielle Parsons '05, MST '06 Vice Chair, Global Alumni Board





Bentley University Alumni



Bentley University Community





LOCATION AND VIEWING

Commencement takes place on South Campus, on the football field, and graduates may bring as many guests as they wish. The ceremonies are open-air events to provide maximum space for graduates and their families to attend. The abundance of space and seating will allow guests to group together or sit apart depending on their preference.

For guests who prefer indoor viewing, the ceremony is broadcast live on large video screens in the Dana Center gym and the Bentley Arena.

In the event of severe weather, the Bentley Arena will serve as a backup location for the ceremony, and each graduate may host two guests. Areas will be available in the Koumantzelis Auditorium, Wilder Pavilion and the Dana Center gym for additional guests to view the ceremonies.

PHOTOGRAPHY

The university hires a professional photographer who will take photos of the graduates as they receive their diploma. **We ask that guests please remain seated during the ceremony.** After the ceremony, please visit *gradimages.com* to purchase photographs.

SOCIAL MEDIA

Use the hashtag #BentleyU2022 to find and share Commencement photos and videos across social media platforms.

SPECIAL ASSISTANCE TRANSPORTATION

Bentley provides golf cart assistance for those in need. Please see a staff member to request transportation. The university kindly requests that visitors without mobility issues refrain from golf cart service so those who truly need assistance can be accommodated.

