

Commencement Committee

2021-2022 Members

CHARGE: To plan and implement the University's Commencement programs. Reports to: Commission on Faculty Affairs.

Chair - President will appoint a chair, usually for a three-year term

Diane Zahm	Chair	2023
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Ex Officio

Monecia Taylor	Senior Associate Vice President for Alumni Relations or designee	ex officio
Lisa Wilkes	Vice President for Strategic Initiatives and Special Assistant to the President	ex officio
Kim O'Rourke	Vice President for Policy and Governance & Secretary to the Board of Visitors	ex officio
Michael Stowe	Senior Associate Vice President for University Relations or designee	ex officio
Lance Jones	Commandant of Cadets or designee	ex officio

Director of Processions selected annually by Chair

Vacant		2022
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Director of Ushers selected annually by Chair

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One Graduate School representative selected by the Dean of the Graduate School (three-year term)

Janice Austin	Graduate School	2022
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One Physical Plant representative selected by the Vice President for Campus Planning, Infrastructure, and Facilities (three-year term)

Anthony Watson	Buildings and Grounds	2022
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The Commencement Marshal (past president of Faculty Senate) (one-year term)

Eric Kaufman	Past President of the Faculty Senate	2022
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One faculty representative from each of the academic colleges nominated by faculty in each college (three-year terms)

Stewart Scales	Natural Resources and Environment	2023
James Weger	Veterinary Medicine	2023
Melissa Wright	Agricultural and Life Sciences	2023
Danesh Tafti	Engineering	2023

Jay Crone	Liberal Arts and Human Sciences	2022
Kereshmeh Afsari	Architecture and Urban Studies	2023
Jonathan Watkinson	Science	2023
Margie Deck	Business	2024
Jennifer Cleveland	Virginia Tech Carilion School of Medicine	2023

One representative from the Commission on Undergraduate Studies and Policies selected annually by the Commission (one-year term)

Paul Deck	Chemistry	2022
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One staff representative nominated by Staff Senate (three-year term)

Amie Pendleton	Bursar's Office	2024
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One representative representing the Graduate and Professional Student Senate (one-year term)

Sydney Kinstler	Animal and Poultry Sciences	2022
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Two student members by virtue of position (one-year terms)

Danielle Panico	President of Senior Class	2022
Prince Wang	President of Junior Class	2022