



*Multicultural
Stoling
Ceremony*

Saturday, May 11, 2024

Program

INTRODUCTION	Beatrice Adams <i>Assistant Professor of History</i>
OPENING REMARKS	President Anne McCall
MUSICAL SELECTION	“Hero” by Mariah Carey Sung by Byera Kashangaki '24 Accompanied by Toni Shreve <i>Collaborative Pianist</i>
KEYNOTE ADDRESS	David Newberry-Yokley '00
STOLING	Scott Parillo <i>Director of International Student Services</i> Erin Guzmán <i>Henry J. Copeland Interfaith Chaplain</i> <i>Director of Religious & Spiritual Life</i>
CLOSING REMARKS	Lillian Evans <i>Director of Multicultural Student Affairs</i>

2024 GRADUATE

Chamari Abercrombie
Fareeda Abu-Juam
Fernanda Banuelos
Isabella Suyapa Begley
Tigist Berhe
Mali Beyer
Babita Biswa
Selali Blege
Angelina Bolivar
Tobin Chin
Sukriti Chiripal
Jesenia Cruz
Elena Dunn-Acosta
Eltahir Elawad
Turbat Enkhtur
Sarah Epstein
Mai Fukuhara
Ephrathah Gebremichael
Chris Gonzales
Daphnye Henderson
Jaylin Hudson
Aaron Huq
Amanda Iskin
Fungai Jani
Troy Johnson
Zoë Jurkowski
Byera Kashangaki
Yubin Kim
Tudor Lungu
Koryn McNeil
Bri Mosley
Mudiwa Mungoshi
Rana Mustafa
Maria Fernanda Ossa Echeverri
Antonia Owens
Minh Phan
Joshua Pond
Giselle Rivera
Liliana Romo
Bitania Ketema Samuel
Liz Santiago
Laura Elena Sevilla
Safal Shrestha
Kiera Smith
Earl Stephens
Makeda Teklemichael
Mariia Tkach
Marisol Varela Ausec
Zion Vital
Alexandria-Vivica Walker
Liam Walker
Malaika Webb

STOLER

Chanda Abercrombie
Tessa Hall
Rosa Linda Zavala
Soreyda Benedit-Begley
Mastewal Berhe
Maud Bulman
Rebecca Williams
Linda Weaver
Meredith Hope
Denise Monbarren
Brooke Krause
Odilia Cruz
Amber Garcia
Amel Elawad
Sofia Visa
Jennifer Faust
Nicholette Rogers
Drew Guarnera
Beatrice Adams
Laura Burch
David Hudson
Christina Welsch
Amyaz Moledina
Arthur Jani
Pam Frese
Daimys Garcia
Edna Kashangaki
Paul Edmiston
Laura Lungu
Laura Sirot
Toni Shreve
Chenai Mungoshi
Aelon Ketema
Stephanie Strand
Matthew Krain
Michael Buttrey
Cherry-Ann Pond
Kayla Campbell
Miguel Romo
Tigist Eshetu
Claire Eager
Isabel Marcella Sevilla
Sangita Shrestha
Makayla Smith
Dana Stephens
Paul Bonvallet
Peter Abramo
Amber Larson
Lawanda Graham
Libby Ladrach
Sharon Rice
Kofi Webb

RELATIONSHIP WITH STOLER

Mother
Writing Center Staff (friend)
Mother
Mother
Sister
Mentor
Professor
Academic Advisor
Advisor
Mentor and Supervisor
Professor
Mother
Professor
Sister
Academic and I.S. Advisor
Professor
Host Family
Advisor
Academic and I.S. Advisor
Posse Mentor
Father
Advisor
Advisor
Father
I.S. Advisor
Professor
Mother
Academic Advisor
Mother
Professor
Collaborative Pianist
Mother
Friend
Advisor
Advisor
Supervisor
Mother
Staff Member
Father
Mother
I.S. Advisor and Professor
Sister
Mother
Sister
Mother
Advisor
Professor
Support System
Mother
Mentor
Supervisor
Father

Ceremony Purpose and History

The Multicultural Stoling Ceremony was inaugurated in May 2014 at The College of Wooster, by the now retired Dean Carolyn L. Buxton, to provide graduating BIPOC students an opportunity to not only celebrate their graduation achievements, but also acknowledge multicultural and international student mentors (faculty, staff, friends, family, and community partners). Their chosen stolers have acted as pillars of support throughout their undergraduate studies, thus, highlighting the impact of community on individual success.

Since then, the ceremony has further grown to provide an inclusive opportunity to also recognize and celebrate the academic achievements of international students, and global nomads.



The Stole

The stole is a symbol of academic achievement or honors. The use of graduation stoles dates back as far as the Middle Ages. Individuals of stature, clergymen, or those who bore a significant title wore stoles as part of their official attire. The use of stoles in American academia dates to the first college graduation ceremonies. College of Wooster graduates will be presented with a stole that is representative of their self-identifying racial, ethnic, cultural, and/or national heritage to be worn at commencement.



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