

DALHOUSIE UNIVERSITY  
**CONVOCATION**  
SPRING 2022





## NEW DAWN STAFF OF PLACE AND BELONGING

Dalhousie's New Dawn Staff of Place and Belonging is carried into the convocation ceremony by the University Beadle at the head of the graduate procession and placed onstage to signal the start of the celebration, then carried back out to mark the end. Through its mix of symbols, materials and textures, the New Dawn Staff of Place and Belonging reflects the rich diversity of individuals who make up the Dalhousie community today and their collective history in this place that we share together.

The New Dawn Staff was designed and created by artists Alan Syliboy of Millbrook First Nation and Mark Austin of Colchester County, with guidance from the university and in collaboration with a team of artists and craftspeople from diverse communities across Nova Scotia.

To learn more, visit **[dal.ca/newdawnstaff](https://dal.ca/newdawnstaff)**

# Dalhousie University

## Spring 2022 Convocation

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*May 24, 2022*

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Conferring of Degrees

Conferring of Honorary Degree

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Convocation Address

*O Canada*

### **O Canada**

*O Canada! Our home and native land!  
True patriot love in all of us command.*

*Car ton bras sait porter l'épée,  
Il sait porter la croix!*

*Ton histoire est une épopée  
Des plus brillants exploits.*

*God keep our land glorious and free!  
O Canada, we stand on guard for thee.  
O Canada, we stand on guard for thee.*



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# Messages to Graduates

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## Chancellor's Message

As a fellow alumnus, I congratulate you on your graduation and on the hard work it has taken to reach this impressive milestone.

Completing a university degree is always a major accomplishment, but doing so during a pandemic, and against the backdrop of the urgent global and societal challenges recent years have seen, has required even greater fortitude. I commend you for your commitment to your education.

Thinking back, I am struck by how important my experience at Dalhousie was in shaping my own career and commitment to citizenship. Citizenship is defined as the quality of one's response to membership in a community. And during your time at Dalhousie, you have witnessed global events that affirm the importance, now more than ever before, of our individual responsibility to strive for public good.

As you embark on your future, I hope that in addition to providing a good foundation for your career, Dalhousie has played a role in forging you as a global citizen prepared to roll up your sleeves and help build a better world.

You have completed your studies in extraordinary times, and I am thrilled to join you for this very well-earned celebration of your perseverance and success.

Congratulations, and I look forward to seeing the progress you help achieve for your communities, your countries, and for humanity.



**The Honourable Scott Brison,  
P.C.**

Chancellor  
Dalhousie University

## President's Message

Graduation is a significant milestone, not only for students, but for your families and supporters.

You have worked diligently and overcome unprecedented challenges to get to this point. Please know that the Dalhousie community is extremely proud of you, your persistence, and your very well-earned accomplishments.

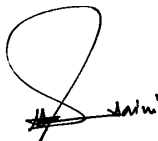
While I am sure it was not always the university experience you were expecting, persevering to meet your academic goals has taught you invaluable lessons and provided you with principles and insights that will continue to guide you for years to come.

Over the past two years especially, our students have demonstrated that they truly have what it takes to build a better world. When I see who our graduating students have become, I know that our future is bright.

As a Dalhousie graduate, you join a community of more than 152,000 alumni who are making an impact in their communities, here in Canada and around the world. Now more than ever, the world needs your skills, your intelligence, your tenacity, your compassion, and your optimism.

Be confident that you have much to contribute.

I look forward to seeing the impact the Class of 2022 will make. Congratulations, and please keep in touch.



**Dr. Deep Saini**  
President and Vice-Chancellor  
Dalhousie University

## Message from Alumni

Convocation is a special experience, a time to celebrate all your hard work and achievements as a student. You are now part of the Dalhousie University alumni community. Welcome!

You are entering a new phase in your life filled with exciting possibilities. Just as Dal supported you as a student, there are many ways we can continue to support you through the next steps of your journey.

There are more than 152,000 Dal alumni around the world, and if the events of recent years have taught us anything, it is the importance of staying connected even when we cannot physically be together.

There are many reasons to connect with Dal us, like networking and mentorship opportunities, exclusive benefits, further learning opportunities, and fun social events we all can look forward to in the near future. So, find a way to stay engaged that is meaningful to you, whether that's through attending an alumni event, volunteering or even connecting with us through our various Dal Alumni social media channels.

Lastly, I want to remind you to cherish your time at Dal.

Graduating is one of the most important moments in your life. I hope that when you look back at your time as a Dalhousie student, you are filled with fond memories and pride in all you have accomplished.



**Devarsh Sood (BEng'14)**  
President  
Dalhousie Alumni Association

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***We take this opportunity to acknowledge our nationally and internationally recognized faculty members and university leaders who are too numerous to list but we wish to acknowledge their role in inspiring and teaching Dalhousie graduates.***

***In addition, we acknowledge staff and administrators who provide a variety of services and support to enhance each graduate's experience.***

# Dr. Deep Saini

## President and Vice-Chancellor

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### **President's Installation Ceremony**

Tuesday, May 24, 2022 at 9:00am



Dr. Deep Saini began his term as Dalhousie's 12th President in January 2020, bringing a compelling blend of national post-secondary experience with international perspective.

A career academic and accomplished researcher in plant biology, Dr. Saini grew up in India and completed his Master of Science (Honours) in Botany from Punjab Agricultural University in Ludhiana, India before moving to Australia to obtain his Doctor of Philosophy in Plant Physiology at the University of Adelaide. Following graduation, he and his family relocated to Canada where he went on to complete a postdoctoral fellowship at the University of Alberta.

Dr. Saini has previously worked at four of Canada's U15 universities, including as a vice-president of University of Toronto and principal of the university's Mississauga campus, dean of the Faculty of Environment at the University of Waterloo, and director general of the Plant Biology Research Institute at the Université de Montréal. Most recently, he served as vice-chancellor and president of the University of Canberra in Australia from 2016-2019. During his tenure, he successfully led the development and implementation of a new strategic plan and saw the University of Canberra rise from being in the top 600 to the top 200 in the Times Higher Education World University Rankings.

His awards and recognitions include honours from the Canadian Society of Plant Physiologists, Nanjing University, the Sikh Foundation of Canada, the Royal Society of New South Wales, the Punjab Academy of Sciences, and the Indo-Canada Chamber of Commerce. He was also featured in India Abroad's "2011 Power List" and is the recipient of the Hind Rattan Award and a Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal.

Following more than two years of meeting the Dalhousie community – and beyond – online, Dr. Saini welcomes the opportunity to participate in Dalhousie's Convocation ceremonies in-person for the first time. "The Dalhousie community has demonstrated its determination, flexibility and resilience throughout the pandemic, and I could not be prouder of how we have adapted and persisted in pursuit of our shared goals," says Dr. Saini. "It is an honour to be officially installed as Dalhousie's president and vice-chancellor and celebrate the amazing accomplishments of our graduates, in-person, alongside their greatest supporters."

# The Honourable Scott Brison, P.C. Chancellor

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## Chancellor's Installation Ceremony

Tuesday, May 24, 2022 at 9:00am



The Honourable Scott Brison, P.C., became Dalhousie's eighth chancellor on June 1, 2020.

Originally from Cheverie in West Hants, Nova Scotia, Mr. Brison is a proud Dalhousie alumnus. He earned a Bachelor of Commerce degree from the university in 1989 and brings a great passion for Dalhousie and its mission.

As an elected Member of Parliament, Mr. Brison served the constituency of Kings-Hants (Nova Scotia), who elected him to Canada's House of Commons seven consecutive times over 21 years. During that time, he served in government for seven years, holding key roles, most recently as President of the Treasury Board and Minister of Digital Government from 2015 to 2019, Minister of Public Works and

Government Services from 2004 to 2006, and Parliamentary Secretary to the Prime Minister with special emphasis on Canada-U.S. relations from 2003 to 2004.

Mr. Brison is a member of the Trilateral Commission and was named by the World Economic Forum of Davos, Switzerland, as one of its "Young Global Leaders."

In 2019, Mr. Brison joined BMO as Vice-Chair, Investment & Corporate Banking. In addition, he serves on the boards of Universal Rail Systems, Bond Resources Inc., the Canada-China Business Council, the Macdonald Stewart Foundation, CJPAC, the advisory board of the Canadian American Business Council, Power Sustainable Corporation and High Liner Foods Inc.

As Chancellor, Mr. Brison presides at Convocations and other official university ceremonies. He also sits as an ex officio member on the Board of Governors. Having begun his chancellorship during the pandemic, Mr. Brison is pleased to be formally installed and join graduates in-person for Spring Convocation. "As a Dalhousie University alumnus myself, I am proud to welcome graduates into our global alumni family," says Mr. Brison. "The Class of 2022 has overcome great obstacles, and I am confident that their time at Dalhousie has fostered their citizenship and prepared them to make a positive impact, here at home, and around the world."



# Honorary Degree Recipients

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## **Dr. Bonnie Henry**

**Doctor of Laws (*honoris causa*)**

Tuesday, May 24, 2022 at 9:00am

Public health leaders across the country have responded to the COVID-19 pandemic with incredible dedication. Even among this outstanding group, Dr. Bonnie Henry (MD'90) has received national attention and recognition for leading British Columbia's response with good judgment, confident professionalism and compassionate empathy.

Her work as B.C.'s provincial health officer is informed by an impressive background on the global stage. Dr. Henry's extensive experience in public health and preventative medicine includes roles with the World Health Organization/UNICEF polio eradication program in Pakistan and the WHO's work to control the Ebola outbreak in Uganda. She was operational lead in the response to the 2003 SARS outbreak in Toronto and a member of the Canadian Pandemic Coordinating Committee responding to the 2009 H1N1 influenza pandemic. She has also recently introduced significant and innovative measures to confront the drug overdose emergency in British Columbia.

A graduate of Dalhousie's Faculty of Medicine, Dr. Henry also holds a master's in Public Health from the University of California San Diego. Dr. Henry has written two books: *Soap and Water* and *Common Sense and Be Kind, Be Calm, Be Safe: Four Weeks that Shaped a Pandemic*. In 2022, she was awarded the Order of British Columbia and the British Columbia Medal of Good Citizenship.



## **Dr. Pamela Palmater**

**Doctor of Laws (*honoris causa*)**

Tuesday, May 24, 2022 at 12:30pm

Dr. Pamela Palmater (LLM'99, JSD'09) has been a courageous and outspoken leader whose legal, social and political work has been instrumental in developing policy and legislation on issues concerning Indigenous sovereignty. Across her career she has studied, worked, volunteered and mobilized others to take action on issues of vital importance for Indigenous peoples. She is the author of several books, the most recent of which, *Warrior Life*, has been described as "a rallying cry for Indigenous peoples and allies alike to forge a path toward a decolonial future."

Dr. Palmater grew up within a large family in Ugpi'ganjig/Eel River Bar First Nation in northern New Brunswick. A two-time graduate of Dalhousie's Schulich School of Law, where she specialized in Indigenous and constitutional law, she is currently professor and chair in Indigenous Governance in the Department of Politics and Public Administration at Toronto Metropolitan University. She is also a member of the Canada Research Chair program's College of Reviewers. Her expertise has been sought after by Canadian Parliament and the United Nations, and she is the recipient of numerous awards and honours, including the Award for Excellence in Human Rights from the Atlantic Human Rights Centre.



## **Dr. Jim M. Spatz**

**Doctor of Laws (*honoris causa*)**

Wednesday, May 25, 2022 at 9:00am

Born in Munich, Germany to Holocaust survivors, Jim Spatz (MD'74) immigrated to Canada through Pier 21 with his family as a small child. He started his career as a physician, practising family and then emergency medicine for 15 years. Today, Spatz is an award-winning CEO and philanthropic trailblazer. He has led Southwest Properties Limited, one of Atlantic Canada's leading real estate developers, for over 30 years.



In 2008, Dr. Spatz founded the Spatz Foundation and has made substantial charitable and volunteer contributions to arts and culture, health, entrepreneurship, and Jewish life regionally and nationally. Countless organizations have benefitted from his generosity, including the Canadian Museum for Human Rights, Art Gallery of Nova Scotia, Neptune Theatre, Spatz Theatre, IWK Health Centre, Phoenix Youth Programs, Canadian Mental Health Association, and the Discovery Centre.

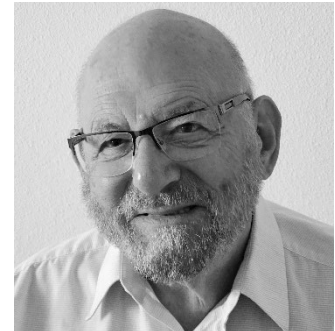
Jim Spatz has also been a true friend to Dalhousie, serving on the Board of Governors from 2001 to 2015 and its chair from 2008 to 2014. He sits on the Dalhousie Advisory Council, is a founding partner and Fellow of the Dalhousie-based CDL-Atlantic and was instrumental in establishing the Simon and Riva Spatz Visiting Chair in Jewish Studies, named for his parents. Spatz has been inducted into the Nova Scotia Business Hall of Fame and in 2013 received the Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal.

## **Dr. George T. Mencher**

**Doctor of Laws (*honoris causa*)**

Monday, May 30, 2022 at 4:00pm

Dr. George Mencher has been active in the field of audiology around the world for more than five decades. In addition to his work as a professor of audiology in the School of Communication Sciences and Disorders at Dalhousie from 1974 to 2012, he was instrumental in founding the school itself. He also served as director of the Nova Scotia Hearing and Speech Centres for over 20 years. Throughout his life, Dr. Mencher has volunteered in dozens of countries to develop screening programs, train personnel, and provide audiology services. He was instrumental in the establishment of infant hearing screening programs across Canada and is a pioneer in the early identification of hearing loss.



With over 100 scholarly articles and seven books to his credit, Dr. Mencher has served in a variety of roles, including secretary general and president for the International Society of Audiology; president of Speech-Language Audiology Canada; president of the Canadian Association of Speech Language Pathologists and Audiologists; and on several federal government task forces on hearing impairment and audiology. He has received the Honors of the American Speech-Language and Hearing Association, the Global Village Award for Significant Contributions to Audiology Worldwide from the American Audiology Association, and the Honours of the Association from the Canadian Academy of Audiology.

## Elizabeth Fountain

**Doctor of Laws (*honoris causa*)**

Tuesday, May 31, 2022 at 9:00am

Elizabeth Fountain's philanthropic leadership extends across Nova Scotia and Canada. Born in the Spryfield neighbourhood of Halifax, her generosity and dedication to health, the arts, education, culture, and the environment have benefitted dozens of organizations. She and her husband Fred have provided transformative charitable support to organizations as wide-ranging as the Canadian Museum of Immigration at Pier 21, the Black Loyalist Heritage Centre, the Nature Conservancy of Canada, Symphony Nova Scotia and the National Arts Centre, to name a few. They've also made significant donations to several universities, including Dalhousie — most notably the transformative gift that helped create the Fountain School of Performing Arts. The Fountains, in partnership with the QEII Health Sciences Centre Foundation, also founded the Stay Connected Mental Health Project in honour of their son, Alex, who died by suicide in 2009.



Elizabeth Fountain has been awarded honorary degrees from the University of King's College and Mount Saint Vincent University, her alma mater. In 2017, she was honoured by the Centre for Addiction and Mental Health as a National Difference Maker. She is also an honorary trustee of the QEII Health Sciences Centre Foundation, a distinguished patron of the National Gallery of Canada, and is honorary co-chair for the Dalhousie Arts Centre Expansion Campaign.

## James (Jim) Hanlon

**Doctor of Laws (*honoris causa*)**

Wednesday, June 1, 2022 at 4:00pm

Jim Hanlon's (BEng'79) leadership has helped unlock the vast potential of Atlantic Canada's ocean economy. As the founding CEO of the Centre for Ocean Ventures & Entrepreneurship (COVE), he's fostered rich collaborations between industry, government and universities and developed new talent in the sector as a mentor to up-and-coming researchers and entrepreneurs.



Born in Nova Scotia with an engineering degree from Dalhousie and a MBA from Saint Mary's, Hanlon has led a 40-year career as an ocean technology entrepreneur and executive with senior roles in engineering, marketing and general management. He played an integral role in helping attract nearly half a billion dollars in public and private investment in the sector to the region between 2014 and 2019. A decade ago, Hanlon took on the role of initial CEO of the newly formed Halifax Marine Research Institute (HMRI), and later spearheaded efforts to establish COVE as its successor. Under his leadership, COVE grew into a \$30-million, 60-tenant ocean technology hub that has drawn admirers from various countries looking to mirror its success.

A consummate matchmaker, Hanlon brings agile leadership, strategic thinking and persistent optimism to the table in building bridges across sectors and through his work on boards and as a mentor with initiatives such as CDL-Atlantic.

## Ruma Bose

**Doctor of Laws (*honoris causa*)**

Thursday, June 2, 2022 at 9:00am

The life and career of Quebec-born Ruma Bose (MBA'99) has been shaped by several transformative experiences, perhaps none more so than the eight months of her early 20s she spent volunteering with Mother Teresa and her Missionaries of Charity in India. Ever since, the Dalhousie MBA graduate has strived to find ways to link business and entrepreneurship with social impact. This was true from the very first company she founded: a floor-finishing business that sought to make tangible improvements in the lives of its largely immigrant workforce. And it's continued to hold true as she's helped national and international companies discover the positive change they can make on the world around them.



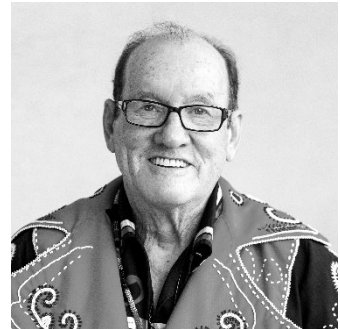
Bose is currently currently Chief Growth Officer at Clearco, a Canadian SoftBank-backed fintech unicorn and the world's largest e-commerce investor. Previously, she was co-founder and managing partner of Humanitarian Ventures, an investment fund linking high-growth technology companies with opportunities to benefit the humanitarian sector. Earlier in her career, she helped top-selling Greek yogurt brand Chobani expand its social mission with Chobani Ventures and the Tent Foundation, which works to respond to the global refugee crisis. In 2017, Bose co-founded and launched the Canadian Entrepreneurship Initiative with Sir Richard Branson and authored its flagship report Entrepreneurship: Canada's Golden Opportunity. An in-demand speaker who's been featured in the world's top business publications, Bose's awards and honours include the 2020 Dalhousie Scotiabank Ethical Leadership Award.

## Chief Terry Paul

**Doctor of Laws (*honoris causa*)**

Thursday, June 2, 2022 at 12:30pm

For nearly four decades, Chief Terry Paul has guided the Membertou First Nation in Cape Breton through an incredible economic, social, cultural, and governance transformation. Today, Membertou is one of the most efficient and economically flourishing Indigenous communities in Canada and a role model for community development. Elected in 1984 and reelected every two years since, Chief Paul is credited with tripling his community's land base, increasing Membertou's employment rate to 80 per cent, and building economic and social opportunity for the entire Cape Breton region. In 2021, with Chief Paul at the helm, Membertou made the single largest investment ever by an Indigenous group in Canada with the acquisition of 50 per cent of Clearwater Seafoods.



In 2019, the Membertou Development Corporation — home to 12 corporate entities including Membertou Trade and Convention Centre and Membertou Sport and Wellness Centre — was named one of Canada's Best Managed Companies. Chief Paul has been appointed to the Order of Canada, is an inductee of both the Nova Scotia and Cape Breton Business Halls of Fame and has received the Frank McKenna Leadership Award and the Canadian Council for Aboriginal Business Lifetime Achievement Award. He holds honorary doctorates from Cape Breton University and Mount Allison University.

# Congratulations Graduates

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**Graduate lists, Academic Honours, Prizes and Medals, and Graduating Class Prize lists are accessible on your mobile device using the following steps or visit [dal.ca/grad-lists](https://dal.ca/grad-lists) and select the appropriate ceremony:**

1. Open the Camera app from your Home Screen.
2. Select the rear facing camera. Hold your device so that the QR Code appears on your screen in the Camera app.
3. Tap the notification that appears in the centre of the screen to open the link associated with the QR Code.

**Faculties of Medicine and  
Graduate Studies**

*Tuesday, May 24, 9:00am*



**Schulich School of Law and  
Faculty of Graduate Studies**

*Tuesday, May 24, 12:30pm*



**Faculties of  
Computer Science and  
Graduate Studies**

*Wednesday, May 25, 9:00am*



**Faculties of Agriculture and  
Graduate Studies**

*Friday, May 27, 12:30pm*



**Faculties of Health  
and Graduate Studies**

*Monday, May 30, 9:00am*



**Faculties of Health  
and Graduate Studies**

*Monday, May 30 12:30pm*



**Faculties of Health  
and Graduate Studies**

*Monday, May 30, 4:00pm*



**Faculties of  
Arts & Social Sciences and  
Graduate Studies**

*Tuesday, May 31, 9:00am*



**Faculties of  
Architecture & Planning,  
Dentistry, and Graduate  
Studies**

*Tuesday, May 31, 12:30pm*



**Faculties of Engineering and  
Graduate Studies**

*Wednesday, June 1, 9:00am*



**Faculties of Engineering and  
Graduate Studies**

*Wednesday, June 1, 12:30pm*



**Faculties of Engineering and  
Graduate Studies**

*Wednesday, June 1, 4:00pm*



**Faculties of Management  
and Graduate Studies**

*Thursday, June 2, 9:00am*



**Faculties of Management  
and Graduate Studies**

*Thursday, June 2, 12:30pm*



**Faculties of Science and  
Graduate Studies**

*Friday, June 3, 9:00am*



**Faculties of Science and  
Graduate Studies**

*Friday, June 3, 12:30pm*



**Faculties of Science and  
Graduate Studies**

*Friday, June 3, 4:00pm*



**Academic Honours**

*All Faculties*



**Prizes and Medals**

*All Faculties*



**Graduating Class Prizes**

*All Faculties*



# Convocation and Ceremonial Elements

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## Convocation

Convocation is a celebration where students transition to alumni, celebrating their achievements as they cross the stage to receive their degree.

## New Dawn Staff of Place and Belonging

Dalhousie introduced the New Dawn Staff of Place and Belonging on May 10, 2019. The Staff officially replaced the University Mace as the ceremonial object used to open and close Convocation ceremonies. Like the Mace before it, the New Dawn Staff is carried into the ceremony by the University Beadle at the head of the graduate procession and placed onstage to signal the start of the celebration and carried back out to mark the end.

The New Dawn Staff of Place and Belonging was designed and created by artists Alan Syliboy of Millbrook First Nation and Mark Austin of Cumberland County with guidance from the university and in collaboration with a team of artists and craftspeople from diverse communities across Nova Scotia.

Dalhousie is one of the first universities in North America to replace its traditional mace with a new ceremonial object. Through its mix of symbols, materials and textures, the New Dawn Staff reflects the rich diversity of individuals who make up the Dalhousie community today and their collective history in this place that we share together.

Symbols and materials integrated along the shaft signify Dalhousie's location in Mi'kma'ki and important on-going relationships with Mi'kmaq communities. Descendants of early European and international settlers, Acadians, Peoples of African descent, persons with disabilities, all genders and the LGBTQ2S+ communities are acknowledged with Staff elements in an effort to convey inclusion, diversity, and equity. Contributions by artists from Mi'kmaq, African Nova Scotian and other communities celebrate that Dalhousie is part of a larger geographic and cultural place of diversity and inclusion.

More than thirty materials and twenty processes were used in the creation of the New Dawn Staff and its accompanying stand. Nova Scotian materials were used when possible, including the white ash that serves as the base material for the pole and driftwood that forms the

top segment. Textiles from around the world, near-field chip technology, recycled gold, and several other natural materials were incorporated throughout using processes ranging from wood turning and textile wrapping to laser cutting, wire weaving, and gilding.

At 7'4" (2.24 metres) tall, the New Dawn Staff cuts an impressive figure befitting of a symbol of achievement. But as a walking stick it also symbolizes the idea of a journey — educational and otherwise — and provides functionality as an aid for walking and as a beacon for community. Four distinct grip zones mean the staff can be carried by individuals with different walking or sitting heights.

Artists involved in the creation of the New Dawn Staff of Place and Belonging were Mark Austin, Alan Syliboy, Wendie Poitras, Annie Martin, Mohammed Issa, Jessie Marshall, Mark Hamilton, Matt D'Entremont, Fred Marshall, Lily Volio, Debby Finkbeiner, Arjun Lal, and many unknown makers whose pre-existing work was incorporated for its cultural significance.

With the New Dawn Staff of Place and Belonging, Dalhousie journeys proudly into its third century informed by the past and inspired for the future.

## Coat of Arms

The Dalhousie University Coat of Arms, which you see hanging at the back of the stage, is based on the heraldic achievement (commonly called "Coat of Arms") of the Ramsay family of Scotland. The Rt. Hon. George Ramsay, Lieutenant-Governor of Nova Scotia, founded the University in 1818. Initially the Ramsay family coat of arms was used to identify Dalhousie. But over time, it has evolved, as have most heraldic devices through marriage or political alliances.

The seal used by the University differs from that of the Ramsay family version in three ways.

First, through marriage one of the supporters on the Ramsay achievement has now changed to include a greyhound on the right. Secondly, the original Ramsay supporters were griffins (half lion, half dragon). Dalhousie has dragons. The third change occurred in 1950 when the Board of Governors changed the colour of the shield from white (silver) to gold, to reflect the University's colours of black and gold.

Since 1987 the university has used the eagle and shield as the basis for its logo.

# Academic Dress

Academic dress — also known as academic costume or regalia — are the distinctive gowns and hoods worn by all participants (including faculty members and university officials who sit onstage) during a Convocation ceremony.

The tradition of graduates wearing gowns and hoods dates back to the 12th and 13th centuries. This tradition continues today at Dalhousie University to signify a graduate's academic accomplishment.

Graduates of the University wear gowns and hoods of black material. The lining of the hood identifies the field of study.

Indigenous students are welcome to wear traditional dress in a manner that celebrates their heritage with or instead of the gown along with their ceremonial hood.

In recognition of their heritage, black graduates of African descent may wear a **Kente Sash**; a symbolic stole, using hand woven material made in Ghana.

During the ceremony, Aboriginal graduates may be recognized by Elders with the gift of a traditional handmade **Medicine Pouch**.

## Dalhousie Degrees:

<b>BA</b>	White silk/white faux fur border	<b>BTech</b>	Emerald green silk/gold & blue silk border	<b>MEng/ MURP</b>	Peacock blue/gold border
<b>BAgr</b>	Royal blue/gold & blue silk border	<b>BSW</b>	Gold silk/white silk border	<b>MES</b>	Copper silk
<b>BArch</b>	Vermilion/white corded border	<b>DDS</b>	Scarlet silk/gold border	<b>MFA</b>	Royal blue/burgundy border with white corded piping
<b>BASc</b>	Gold/white corded border with blue piping	<b>JD/LLB</b>	White silk/gold silk border	<b>MGC</b>	Silver silk/scarlet silk border with white cord
<b>BACS</b>	Emerald green/white border	<b>MD</b>	Scarlet silk/white silk border	<b>MHI</b>	Scarlet silk/emerald green silk border
<b>BCBD</b>	Chartreuse silk/peacock blue silk border with red cording	<b>LLM</b>	Purple silk	<b>MHA</b>	Sky blue silk/white silk border
<b>BCD</b>	Green silk/peacock blue corded border	<b>MA</b>	Crimson silk	<b>MIM</b>	Mint green satin/white border
<b>BCom</b>	White satin/light blue border	<b>EMEC</b>	Emerald green/purple border with turquoise piping	<b>MITE</b>	Teal green silk/white silk border with gold piping
<b>BCSc</b>	Emerald green/gold border	<b>MACSc</b>	Emerald green/silver border with white piping	<b>MJ</b>	Royal blue/royal blue border with white corded piping
<b>BDH</b>	Deep purple satin/gold border	<b>MAHSR</b>	White silk/sky blue silk border with white piping	<b>MI/MLIS</b>	Mid-forest green silk
<b>BEd</b>	Dark blue satin/white border	<b>March</b>	White/two parallel stripes of red corded border	<b>MMM</b>	Navy silk/sea-green silk border
<b>BEDS</b>	White/two parallel strips of white corded border	<b>MArch</b>		<b>MN</b>	Apricot silk
<b>BEng</b>	Gold/white corded border	<b>(Post Prof)</b>	White/vermilion border	<b>MPlan</b>	Peacock blue/green corded border
<b>BHIM</b>	Peacock satin/white border	<b>MASc</b>	Sky blue/gold border with white piping	<b>MPA</b>	Sky blue silk
<b>BHSc</b>	Silver satin/white border	<b>MASc/ MPlan</b>	Peacock blue/gold border with white piping	<b>MPer</b>	Gold silk/scarlet silk border
<b>BINF</b>	Emerald green/white border	<b>MASc/ MURP</b>	Peacock blue/gold border with white piping	<b>MPS</b>	Cobalt crepe satin
<b>BMgt</b>	White silk/teal green silk border	<b>MAT</b>		<b>MREM</b>	Copper silk/white silk border
<b>BMus</b>	White satin/lavender border	<b>(French)</b>	Crimson silk/white silk border	<b>MSc</b>	Scarlet silk
<b>BMusEd</b>	Lavender satin/white border	<b>MBA</b>	Turquoise silk	<b>MSW</b>	Citron silk
<b>BN</b>	White silk/royal blue silk border	<b>MCS</b>	Emerald green/gold border with white piping	<b>MURP</b>	Peacock blue/green corded border
<b>BPE</b>	Sage green silk/white silk border	<b>MDE</b>	Medium blue silk/red scarlet silk border	<b>JSD</b>	Gown of black faced with Olympic blue bordered with yellow, the hood is black corded/lining of Olympic blue and bordered with yellow of the Cambridge design, birretum is black velvet with yellow cord
<b>BRec</b>	Yellow silk/forest green silk border	<b>MDI</b>	Purple silk/emerald green border	<b>PhD</b>	Black gown faced with yellow (gold), hood is black of Cambridge design with yellow, birretum is black velvet with gold cord.
<b>BSc</b>	White silk/scarlet silk border	<b>MEC</b>	Emerald green/purple border with turquoise piping		
<b>BSc (Agr)</b>	White silk/gold & blue silk border	<b>Med</b>	Royal blue silk		
<b>BScHE</b>	Forest green silk/gold silk border	<b>MEDR</b>	White/three parallel stripes of white/vermilion corded border		
<b>BScHP</b>	Forest green silk/gold silk border	<b>MEng</b>	Blue/gold border		
<b>BScK</b>	White silk/crimson silk border	<b>MEng/ MPlan</b>	Peacock blue/gold border		
<b>BScN</b>	White silk/royal blue silk border				
<b>BScOT</b>	Peacock satin/crimson silk border				
<b>BScPh</b>	White silk/purple silk border				
<b>BScPT</b>	White silk/scarlet & gold silk border				
<b>BScRec</b>	Yellow silk/forest green silk border				
<b>BSE</b>	Gold silk/emerald silk border				



# Professional Oaths

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## The Hippocratic Oath

Tuesday, May 24, 2022 at 9:00am

*In reciting this oath, we graduates declare allegiance to an ancient, honourable, and durable tradition, the survival of which is important for the welfare of the sick and of society.*

I swear to fulfill, to the best of my ability and judgment, this covenant:

I will respect the hard-won scientific gains of those physicians in whose steps I walk, and gladly share such knowledge as is mine with those who are to follow.

I will apply, for the benefit of the sick, all measures [that] are required, avoiding those twin traps of overtreatment and therapeutic nihilism.

I will remember that there is art to medicine as well as science, and that warmth, sympathy, and understanding may outweigh the surgeon's knife or the chemist's drug.

I will not be ashamed to say "I know not," nor will I fail to call in my colleagues when the skills of another are needed for a patient's recovery.

I will respect the privacy of my patients, for their problems are not disclosed to me that the world may know. Most especially must I tread with care in matters of life and death. This awesome responsibility must be faced with great humbleness and awareness of my own frailty. Above all, I must not play at God.

I will remember that I do not treat a fever chart, a cancerous growth, but a sick human being, whose illness may affect the person's family and economic stability. My responsibility includes these related problems, if I am to care adequately for the sick.

I will prevent disease whenever I can, for prevention is preferable to cure.

I will remember that I remain a member of society, with special obligations to all my fellow human beings, those sound of mind and body as well as the infirm.

If I do not violate this oath, may I enjoy life and art, respected while I live and remembered with affection thereafter. May I always act so as to preserve the finest traditions of my calling and may I long experience the joy of healing those who seek my help.

## The Oral Health Professional Oath

Tuesday, May 31, 2022 at 12:30pm

*To be recited by all graduating dentistry and dental hygiene students.*

I do hereby solemnly swear to pledge my commitment as an oral health professional.

I will assist my patients in achieving optimal oral health.

Without discrimination, I will treat my patients with honour and respect and will contribute to their overall well-being.

My patients will be actively involved in their treatment decisions, and they can trust that I will compassionately place their needs before my own.

I will always conduct myself in an ethical and professional manner, and will hold myself to the highest standards.

I will not undertake tasks beyond my ability and competence.

I will promote access to care and social justice for those who are most vulnerable. I will protect and preserve the oral health of the public.

I am committed to evidence-based practice and life-long learning. I will strive to contribute to the advancement of dental education for the benefit of my community, patients and colleagues.

These promises I make freely, and upon my honour.



# WELCOME

Congratulations! You are officially an alumnus of Dalhousie – an amazing community of more than 152,000 alumni around the world. We look forward to welcoming you into the Dal alumni family in person at a future event.

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- Connect with us on **social media**
- Influence important university initiatives and decisions through the **Dal Insight Circle**
- Support students, be an **Alumni Ambassador**, or take on a leadership role as an alumni **volunteer**
- Keep in touch with your classmates and relive some of your best memories through **reunions** and **Dal Alumni Days**

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## WE'RE SOCIAL

One of the easiest ways to keep in touch with Dal is online. We share valuable information, news, events, programs and much more that makes it worthwhile to stay connected.

-  Keep an eye on your inbox for **alumni newsletters** and the bi-annual **Dal Magazine**
-  Tell us about your news and successes – you just might find yourself profiled in the Dal Magazine or on our website. Email **alumni@dal.ca** if you have news to share
-  Visit **alumni.dal.ca** to stay up to date on news and events, find opportunities to get involved, and make sure we have your most recent contact information

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