

NORWICH UNIVERSITY

School of Graduate Studies Commencement



Twenty-seventh of June
Two Thousand Eight

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NORWICH UNIVERSITY
SCHOOL OF GRADUATE STUDIES



Commencement

Friday, June Twenty-seventh

Two Thousand Eight

4:30 P.M.

GRADUATION CEREMONY

*Processional	Mace Bearer Faculty Marshal
*National Anthem	Heritage Brass Quintet
*Invocation	Reverend William S. Wick, University Chaplain
Greetings	President Richard W. Schneider
Conferring of Honorary Degree	President Richard W. Schneider
Commencement Address	General Richard Cody Vice Chief of Staff, United States Army
Response to Address	President Richard W. Schneider
Conferring of Degrees	President Richard W. Schneider Dean William H. Clements
Closing Remarks	Dean William H. Clements
*Benediction	Reverend William S. Wick
*Recessional	

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*Standing

A Norwich Graduate

A university's legacy can be measured by the impact of its graduates.

Norwich University graduates helped to build our nation from the chief engineer of the first US transcontinental railroad, to leaders in decisive battles, to the individuals who developed the nation's banking system. The legacy of Norwich reaches back to the most formative decades of our nation's history.

More recent graduates have included a president of NBC and the Chief of Staff of the Army. Innumerable alumni, less prominent but no less important, have made a deep and lasting impact on the world as nurses, engineers, soldiers, police officers, business executives, etc. These are individuals who have prepared themselves to act as well as to think - to execute, to conceive and to be moral, patriotic, efficient, and useful citizens.

They are men and women of distinction because in coming to Norwich, they encountered great challenges, and by overcoming them, confirmed in themselves the confidence to persevere in the face of adversity. While studying in a rigorous and disciplined academic environment, they acquired invaluable time management skills as well as practical knowledge and expertise in their chosen fields. They have been encouraged to think deeply about what makes a good leader, to reach their own conclusions based on close observation, and to seize opportunities to practice their own skills. They are Norwich graduates.

Today, the legacy of Norwich University passes into the hands of those whose names are listed in this program. We have every faith that they will do great things!

General Richard Cody

Vice Chief of Staff, United States Army

General Richard A. Cody became the 31st Vice Chief of Staff, United States Army, on June 24, 2004.

General Cody was born in Montpelier, Vermont, on 2 August 1950. He was commissioned a second lieutenant upon graduation on 6 June 1972 from the United States Military Academy. His military education includes the Command and General Staff College and the United States Army War College. General Cody is a Master Aviator and an Air Assault graduate with more than 5,000 hours of flight time.

Prior to his current assignment, General Cody served his nation for 32 years in a variety of command and staff assignments, most recently serving as Deputy Chief of Staff, G-3, United States Army. Other key assignments include Commanding General, 101st Airborne Division (Air Assault) and Fort Campbell; Director, Operations, Readiness and Mobilization, Office of the Deputy Chief of Staff for Operations and Plans, Headquarters, Department of the Army; Deputy Commanding General, Task Force Hawk, Tirana, Albania; Assistant Division Commander for Maneuver, 4th Infantry Division, Fort Hood, Texas; Commander, 160th Special Operations Aviation Regiment, Fort Campbell, Kentucky; Commander, 4th Brigade, 1st Cavalry Division; Aide-de-Camp to the Commanding General, Combined Field Army, Korea; and Director, Flight Concepts Division.

General Cody has served several tours with the 101st Airborne Division (Air Assault) as Commander, 1st Battalion, 101st Aviation Regiment (Attack) during Operation Desert Storm; Aviation Brigade Executive Officer, 101st Aviation Brigade; Battalion Executive Officer and Company Commander in the 229th Attack Helicopter Battalion, and Battalion S-3 in the 55th Attack Helicopter Battalion. He served as a Platoon Commander in the 2nd Squadron, 9th Cavalry and A Company (Attack), 24th Aviation Battalion and as Commander, E Company (AVIM), 24th Infantry Division (Mechanized), Fort Stewart, Georgia.

His awards and decorations include the Distinguished Service Medal, Defense Superior Service Medal, the Legion of Merit (with 4 Oak Leaf Clusters), the Distinguished Flying Cross, the Bronze Star Medal, the Meritorious Service Medal (with 4 Oak Leaf Clusters), the Air Medal (with numeral device "3"), the Army Commendation Medal (with 2 Oak Leaf Clusters), the Army Achievement Medal, the Southwest Asia Service Medal (2 battle stars), the Humanitarian Service Medal, the NATO Medal, and the Southwest Asia Kuwait Liberation Medal.

In recognition of his outstanding career in the military and his service to the nation, Norwich University bestows upon Richard A. Cody the honorary degree of Doctor of Military Science with all the rights and privileges appertaining thereto.

CANDIDATES FOR DEGREES

Master of Arts in Diplomacy

Eman Aboelsaud
Ruben Abreu
Lora Aggour
Steven Aitchison
Sean Alexander
Martha Alvord
Nicholas Amanatidis
James Andy
Charles Anokute
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Bryan Barroqueiro
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Neal Cheramie
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Terilee Christen
Ryan Christianson
Marc Chung
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Reyes Cole
Alayne Conway
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Rusten Currie
Timothy Dahlman
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Jacqlynn Davis
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Grant Dawson
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Frank Diorio

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Fray Doyle
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Jeremy Farlino
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Nathan Huber
Natalie Hussey
Matthew Israelson
Robert Itzin
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Krista Jekielek
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Micah Melton
Daniel Mendelenyi
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Master of Arts in Military History

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Bryan Hockensmith
Homer Hodge
Robert Hodge
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Shawn Hoffman
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CANDIDATES FOR DEGREES

Master of Science in Nursing

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Master of Education

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History of Norwich University

Founded in 1819, Norwich University is the nation's first private military college, and it remains one of the foremost institutions for leadership training in the United States. Recognized by the Department of Defense as the birthplace of ROTC, the University has earned a much-deserved place in the annals of American history.

Captain Alden Partridge, a former superintendent of West Point, founded the institution as the "American Literary, Scientific and Military Academy" in Norwich, Vermont. In 1834, the academy was transformed into "Norwich University" when it received a charter from the State of Vermont. After a disastrous fire in 1866, the University moved to its present location.

Partridge developed an innovative system of education, which favored a liberal curriculum, including practical studies such as civil engineering, military tactics, economics, politics, and modern languages, with a pedagogy, which incorporated field instruction and experiential learning. Partridge pioneered this educational system at Norwich in a time when such a curriculum was considered experimental. This balanced and useful education soon became the norm, the pattern for the great American System of Education.

Norwich University has a long-standing commitment to innovation in education. It was the first educational institution in the nation to teach civil engineering; to organize a regimental band; one of the first US institutions to incorporate physical education into the curriculum; to accept international students; to teach agriculture; to admit African-Americans as military cadets; and to integrate women into a Corps of Cadets.

Norwich University graduates helped to build our nation, from the engineers of railroads, canals, bridges and water systems; to leaders in decisive battles; to politicians, financiers, clergymen, teachers, and inventors the legacy of Norwich reaches back to the most formative decades of our nation's history. More recent graduates have included the president of NBC News and the chief of staff of the Army. Innumerable alumni, less prominent but no less important, have made a deep and lasting impact on the world as nurses, engineers, soldiers, police officers, politicians fulfilling the mission of service characteristic of Norwich University graduates. These individuals came to Norwich to prepare themselves to "act" as well as to "think" to "execute" as well as to "conceive" and to be moral, patriotic, efficient, and "useful" citizens.

As the University approaches its bicentennial, it has launched the NU2019 Strategic Plan, committing considerable resources to campus construction and renovations, to enhanced academic programs, and to the future of its students. Norwich University continues its commitment to its legacy as a learning community, which is American in character, yet global in perspective, engaged in personal and intellectual transformation and dedicated to knowledge, mutual respect, creativity, and service.

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ACADEMIC REGALIA

The cap, gown and hood are prominent symbols in Commencement ceremonies. They date back to the European and British Universities of the Middle Ages. The cap and gown indicated that the wearer has graduated from a university or college. The hood shows the degree the wearer holds.

The Intercollegiate Commission has established a code that regulates the academic costume. Bachelor's gowns have pointed sleeves and are generally worn closed. Master' gowns have long, oblong sleeves and may be worn open or closed. Doctor's gowns have bell-shaped sleeves each bearing three horizontal velvet bars. Down the front, doctors' gowns have a velvet facing. The velvet facing and sleeve bars may be either black or the color distinctive of the wearer's department of learning.

Caps worn with bachelors' and masters' gowns generally have a black tassel; the doctor may wear a gold tassel.

Hoods are normally black and with a colorful lining indicating the color or colors of the college or university conferring the degree. Maroon and gold are the official colors of Norwich University. The hood is bordered with velvet; the color of the velvet represents the department of learning. The colors associated with different subjects appear below.

Degree	Color
Master of Arts in Diplomacy	Peacock Blue
Master of Arts in Military History	White
Master of Business Administration	Drab
Master of Civil Engineering	Orange
Master of Education	Light Blue
Master of Justice Administration	Purple
Master of Science in Information Assurance	Golden Yellow
Master of Public Administration	Peacock Blue
Master of Science in Nursing	Apricot
Master of Science in Organizational Leadership	Drab

THE SPENCER MACE

The Spencer Memorial Mace, carried by the senior member of the faculty, is the emblem of the academic authority of the University and is rich in symbolism. The wooden staff is fluted to give the appearance of *fasces*, the ancient Roman symbol of authority, and is bound by silver bands representing restraint.

Much of the metal work above the staff is sterling silver, including the University seal, which is surrounded by laurel leaves. On the reverse side is the seal of the State of Vermont. Engraved on one side of the urn supporting the seals is a rendition of a decorative device from an 1867 diploma which depicts Athena, goddess of wisdom, the useful arts, the prudent warfare, surrounded by academic and military paraphernalia.

On the opposite side of the urn is a statement of purpose from an 1844 University catalogue:

“To give our youth an education that shall be American in its character - to enable them to *act* as well as *think* - to *execute* as well as to *conceive* - to tolerate all opinions when reason is left free to combat them - to make moral, patriotic, efficient, and useful citizens, and to qualify them for all those high responsibilities resting upon a citizen of this free republic - was the design of the founders of this college.”

At the top of the mace is a representation of the head of a whitetail stag, and at the foot of the staff is the cone of a red spruce, the most characteristic Vermont evergreen.

The mace was given to the University by Richard S. King '68 and Dudley H. Willis '64 as a tribute to Dana Professor of Government Eber Allen Spencer, Jr. It was designed by Professor Gary Lord and fabricated by a group of Northern New England artisans working in collaboration with Paul Gross, goldsmith.



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