

ONTARIO TECH UNIVERSITY

FALL CONVOCATION 2024



FALL CONVOCATION CEREMONY

Ontario Tech University, Regent Theatre, Oshawa, Ontario
Thursday, October 17, 2024

**CONGRATULATIONS
GRADUATES!**



TODAY WE CELEBRATE
OUR STUDENTS—THEIR
SUCCESS AT ONTARIO
TECH, AS WELL AS THE
ACCOMPLISHMENTS
THEY WILL ACHIEVE IN
THE FUTURE.





MESSAGE FROM THE CHANCELLOR

Congratulations Class of 2024! After years of hard work and dedication, you have reached this proud moment in your lives. It brings me great joy to see you on this special day, surrounded by your classmates, family and friends who have supported you throughout your journey.



AS YOU VENTURE FORTH WITH NEW CHALLENGES, I ENCOURAGE YOU TO STAY TRUE TO YOUR PURPOSE AND CONTINUE TO STRIVE FOR EXCELLENCE.

During your time at Ontario Tech, you've acquired knowledge and honed skills that have prepared you to make a meaningful impact in your chosen field. The degree you receive today symbolizes your academic achievement, as well as your adaptability and readiness to face challenges in a world of rapid technological change.

This academic year, we commemorated a significant milestone in our university's history: acknowledging the first 20 years of our dedication to excellence in education, research, and community engagement. We've got a great story to tell, and I am honoured that you've been an integral part of it.

As you venture forth with new challenges, I encourage you to stay true to your purpose and continue to strive for excellence. An exciting future filled with limitless possibilities awaits, and your university family looks forward to continuing to support you.

On behalf of the Ontario Tech community, I extend my heartfelt congratulations and best wishes as you enter this next phase.

Sincerely,
Mitch Frazer, Chancellor

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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT AND VICE-CHANCELLOR

Class of 2024, today we celebrate the culmination of your years of dedication, perseverance, and hard work. As you stand on the threshold of a new beginning, I want to extend my heartfelt congratulations to each one of you.

Your journey at Ontario Tech University has been marked by moments of triumph, growth, and discovery. You have acquired knowledge and skills, and formed lifelong friendships and memories. Remember that the experiences and lessons learned here will serve as your compass, guiding you through the challenges and successes that lie ahead.



AS YOU STAND ON THE THRESHOLD OF A NEW BEGINNING, I WANT TO EXTEND MY HEARTFELT CONGRATULATIONS TO EACH ONE OF YOU.

As members of the Ontario Tech alumni community, you hold degrees that represent the values of innovation, integrity and social responsibility that define our university. Whether you choose to pursue further studies, embark on a professional career, or engage in meaningful volunteer work, I have every confidence you will continue to make us proud.

On behalf of the Ontario Tech community, congratulations on reaching this significant milestone in your academic journey. May you continue to soar to new heights and be recognized as the change-makers you are.

Sincerely,
Dr. Steven Murphy
President and Vice-Chancellor





MESSAGE FROM THE PROVOST AND VICE-PRESIDENT, ACADEMIC

As we gather on your special graduation day to celebrate your remarkable achievements, I'm filled with immense pride for each of you. Together with our faculty and staff, I extend my heartfelt congratulations.

Dedication, vision and tenacity have marked your journey up to this moment. From the countless hours studying and spent in classrooms and labs, to the collaborative efforts you've put into your innovative projects and research, your commitment to your studies has been truly inspiring. You've also contributed to the vibrant and inclusive spirit of our campus community. Be assured that all aspects of your university experience will set you apart and serve you well throughout your career.

In this next chapter of your lives as Ontario Tech alumni, remember you will always be a Ridgeback! We'd love for you to keep in touch with us. Your wins, big or small, are inspiring for future students. Always remember that we'll be here to support you whenever needed.



...I'M FILLED WITH IMMENSE PRIDE FOR EACH OF YOU. TOGETHER WITH OUR FACULTY AND STAFF, I EXTEND MY HEARTFELT CONGRATULATIONS.

Congratulations once again on reaching this milestone. Best wishes for a bright and successful future!

Sincerely,
Dr. Lori A. Livingston
Provost and Vice-President, Academic



OUR MOTTO

COGITANDO ET AGENDO DUCEMUS

By thinking and doing,
we shall lead.

ORDER OF PROCEEDINGS

Processional

Indigenous Honour Song

National Anthem

Opening of Convocation

Dr. Lori A. Livingston,
Provost and Vice-President, Academic

Chancellor's Address

Mr. Mitch Frazer, Chancellor

President's Address

Dr. Steven Murphy, President and
Vice-Chancellor

Conferral of the Honorary Degree

Mr. Mitch Frazer, Chancellor

Honorary Doctorate Address

Mr. Edmond and Ms. Sylvia Vanhaverbeke
(Morning)
Dr. Alan Shepard
(Afternoon)

Conferral of Degrees

Mr. Mitch Frazer, Chancellor

Closing of Convocation

Dr. Lori A. Livingston,
Provost and Vice-President, Academic

Recessional

Reception

CEREMONY NOTES

As a courtesy, audience members are asked to remain in their seat throughout the convocation ceremony and until the Academic Procession has left the ceremony. The audience should rise, if they are able, for the Processional, the Honour Song, the National Anthem and the Recessional. Please silence electronic devices for the duration of the ceremony. Guests wishing to take photos during the ceremony are asked to do so from their seat. A professional photographer will photograph each graduate and provide a complimentary proof following the ceremony.



[View and share the convocation ceremony webcast with friends and family here.](#)



HONORARY DEGREE RECIPIENT

Dr. Alan Shepard | Doctor of Laws, honoris causa



In recognition of his legacy of leadership and promotion of transformational change and innovation within higher education, and for his passionate advocacy of diversity, inclusion and belonging, the university

proudly confers upon Dr. Alan Shepard the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws.

Dr. Shepard is the 11th President and Vice-Chancellor of Western University—a post he has held since July 2019—where he has led with a focus on entrepreneurship, research impact, global engagement, sustainability and partnership for global good. Through the guiding principles of Truth and Reconciliation, he rapidly established Western’s Office of Indigenous Initiatives. He also drove creation of the university’s Office of Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion, while investing to support the recruitment of Black and Indigenous faculty, and the funding of 75 new scholarships for Black and Indigenous students.

He is the President Emeritus of Concordia University in Montreal, and was Provost and Vice-President, Academic at Toronto Metropolitan University where he led the development of the Digital Media Zone, an entrepreneurial-focused business incubator. He has also held senior academic leadership roles at the University of Guelph, Texas Christian University, and the University of Virginia.

Dr. Shepard is a champion of university-industry partnerships, and believes universities are pillars of important social discourse as well as training grounds for the next generation, where young leaders access the tools to succeed in a changing world. Inspired by his own experience as a first-generation student, he prioritizes new models of education, transformational skills, and experiential learning.

His research is focused on relationships, national security, history and rhetoric in early modern Europe; on the emergence of a culture of scientific discourse in early modern literature; and on the challenges facing universities today.

Dr. Shepard has held fellowships in the humanities at the Folger Shakespeare Library in Washington D.C., and University of Toronto. He studied at the University of Cambridge in the United Kingdom as a visiting student; received a bachelor’s degree from St. Olaf College in Northfield, Minnesota, where he was elected to the Phi Beta Kappa Society; and holds a doctorate from the University of Virginia.

He is past Chair of the Council of Ontario Universities, past Chair of the Canadian Knowledge Resource Network, and past Vice-Chair of the U15 Group of Canadian Research Universities. He currently serves as a member of the Council of Ontario College of Social Workers and Social Service Workers, and is a board member with Stratford Festival, the Greater London International Airport Authority, and the Cardiovascular Network of Canada.

HONORARY DEGREES

Honorary degrees recognize individuals who have accomplished extraordinary achievements and remarkable service. These individuals have demonstrated a significant contribution to the advancement of knowledge in one or more field; provided outstanding service to the greater society through non-academic achievements and/or public service; or made noteworthy contributions in areas relevant to the mission of the university and/or local community.

DOCTOR OF LAWS, HONORIS CAUSA (LLD)

Awarded for outstanding achievement in social science in the broadest sense, or significant community contributions at the local, national or international levels.

HONORARY DEGREE RECIPIENT

Mr. Edmond Vanhaverbeke and Ms. Sylvia Lisk Vanhaverbeke | Doctor of Laws, honoris causa



In recognition of their long history of championing higher education and student success across Durham Region, their dedication to volunteerism, their philanthropic support of health care, the arts

and conservation, and their loyalty to Ontario Tech through major contributions to campus infrastructure, the university proudly confers upon Mr. Edmond (Ed) Vanhaverbeke and Ms. Sylvia Lisk Vanhaverbeke the honorary degrees of Doctor of Laws.

The longtime Newcastle residents have donated to several annual entrance scholarships, the Student Relief Fund, and Ontario Graduate Scholarships at Ontario Tech. The university recognized their generous capital support through the naming of the Vanhaverbeke Family Atrium in the Business and Information Technology Building, and an alcove in the Campus Library. The Vanhaverbekes are founding Ontario Tech donors and also members of the university's E.P. Taylor Legacy Society for planned gifts.

Their many charitable community endeavours include supporting the Lakeridge Health Bowmanville Hospital Foundation, Durham East Food Bank, the Centre for Addiction and Mental Health, Big Brothers and Sisters of Clarington, Durham Region Hospice, Northumberland Learning Connection, and the Ontario Philharmonic Orchestra. The Edmond and Sylvia Vanhaverbeke Foundation has also supported Durham College and Trent University Durham. They donated 200 acres of land to the Ganaraska Conservation Authority in honour of Ed's mother Laura. Since 2016, Sylvia and Ed have sponsored and settled three families of Syrian refugees in Newcastle.

Ed is the Owner and President of Syvan Developments Limited, a company that redeveloped underused or vacant commercial and industrial

properties in Oshawa and Clarington. Syvan now owns and manages industrial buildings in Southern Ontario, and funds private mortgages. Ed was previously Owner and President of Edvan Realty Limited, an independent real estate brokerage firm in Bowmanville.

He has received awards from the Greater Oshawa Chamber of Commerce, Newcastle Village and District Historical Society, and the Ontario Heritage Trust, and was named a Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal recipient. Ed is a graduate of the University of Toronto's Executive MBA Program.

Sylvia is an Advisor with Syvan Developments Limited and currently chairs the pastoral team at St. Francis of Assisi Church in Newcastle. Her background in theology has led to several prominent appointments as a retreat facilitator. She's served with the Women's Inter-Church Council of Canada and became the first Roman Catholic Chair of the World Day of Prayer International Committee.

Her numerous community causes include Gathering 4 Grannies of Clarington (for the Stephen Lewis Foundation, to help children orphaned by AIDS), and Focus (a Bowmanville group of women supporting women's rights and children's shelters). Her many awards include recognition from the Municipality of Clarington and Durham YMCA, and the Rotary Club of Clarington.

Sylvia is a former Trustee with the Peterborough-Victoria-Newcastle-Northumberland Roman Catholic School Board and Chaplain at St. Mary's Secondary School in Cobourg. She holds a Bachelor of Arts in Humanities from York University, and a Master of Divinity degree from St. Michael's College at the University of Toronto.

The noted global travellers have visited every continent including Antarctica (Ed only).

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DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY, ELECTRICAL AND COMPUTER ENGINEERING

Ghadeer Hassan Mustafa
Abdelkader

Thesis Title: Context-Aware Pedestrian Intent Prediction for Connected and Automated Vehicles

Rosa Saif

Thesis Title: Spectrum Sharing for Multi-User Massive MIMO Networks

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY, MECHANICAL ENGINEERING

Shahryar Garmsiri

Thesis Title: Analysis of Net Zero Energy Buildings and Communities that Strategically Integrate Transportation Energy

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY, NUCLEAR ENGINEERING

Virgiliu Doru Beregic

Thesis Title: Novel Thermoluminescent Dosimeter for the Measurement of the Eye Lens Operational Dose Equivalent in Mixed Neutron-Gamma Radiation Fields

Amna Hassan

Thesis Title: Yeast-Based Impedance Biodosimetry for Retrospective Assessment of Radiation Exposures

Marta Kocemba

Thesis Title: An Investigation of Ultraviolet and Ionizing Radiation on the Eye-Lens of Rainbow Trout

Otavio Lopes Alves Esteves

Thesis Title: Development and Evaluation of Nuclear-Renewable Hybrid Energy System Simulator with Load Following

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MASTER OF EDUCATION

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Juan Carlo Alicaway

Dema Mohd Alnajjar

Hannah Emily Nicole Atkinson

Josephine Dion Casey

Evan Chan

Christine Susanne Congrady

Roy Cousins

Amanda Michaela Henderson

Brittany Lee Jung

Visheshwar Kudariya

Margaret Anne Sullivan

McEleny

James Gregory McGowan

Marvin Mohammed

Mnaymneh

Chelsea Morandin

Breanna Poi Yee Ng

Caroline Elizabeth Nichol

Noelle Paredes-Plaza

Kunal Sanghavi

Heather Lea Slongo

Sheryll Nicolene Smith

Julia Snow

Ivy Ellen Vong

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Akhilesh Varma Kalidindi

Vallika Kasibhatla

Aditya Singh Kushwah

Hamidreza Mohammadi

Shreyansh Khimanand

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Nakissa Nassim

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Amirhossein Jafarzadeh Ghazi
Thesis Title: Three Essays on Pricing, Quality, and Advertising Decisions While Anticipating a Product Recall

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY, CRIMINOLOGY AND SOCIAL JUSTICE

Dallas Hill
Thesis Title: The Acquisition and Implementation of Risk Technologies by Canadian Police Services

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY, FORENSIC PSYCHOLOGY

William James Denomme
Thesis Title: Neuroimaging Metrics of Externalizing Disorders: Assessing Neurobiological Features of Substance Use, Withdrawal, Substance Use Disorders, and Psychopathy

Cristina Ferrara
Thesis Title: Communicating Police-Involved Deaths: A Mixed-Methods Exploration of Canadian Police Agencies' Twitter Strategies and Perceptions of Police

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ABOUT ONTARIO TECH UNIVERSITY: CELEBRATING 20 YEARS

Modern and forward-thinking, Ontario Tech University advances the discovery and application of knowledge to accelerate economic growth, regional development and social innovation. Since first opening our doors on September 4, 2003 to a class of 947 students, our vibrant campus is now home to more than 11,000 students and 31,000 alumni who are making a positive impact in a tech-focused world.

We believe it's not only about developing the next tech breakthrough. Understanding and integrating the social and ethical implications of technology are our key differentiator.

We adapt to the ever-changing educational landscape by experimenting with the most effective ways to deliver flexible and dynamic learning, giving more choices to more people. We provide learner-centered educational options by offering a range of credentials, experiential learning opportunities and sparking entrepreneurship activities.

Our students enjoy a stimulating campus life experience that includes hundreds of clubs, cultural and community events, recreational opportunities and a growing varsity athletics program featuring basketball, badminton, curling, dance, golf, hockey, rowing, soccer, and women's lacrosse.

In addition to excellence in teaching, we offer our students experiential learning opportunities through internships, co-ops, practicums, research projects and more. In fact, 85 per cent of upper-year undergraduate students participate in experiential learning.

We collaborate with industry, community, government and academic organizations, bringing them together with our researchers and students to uncover innovative solutions for our partners' most pressing problems. Home to more than 80 specialized research laboratories and facilities, we're committed to attracting passionate and capable scholars to our high-tech campus.



The university is proud to acknowledge the lands and people of the Mississaugas of Scugog Island First Nation, which is covered by the Williams Treaties. We are situated on the traditional territory of the Mississaugas, a branch of the greater Anishinaabeg Nation, including Algonquin, Ojibway, Odawa and Pottawatomi.



THE UNIVERSITY COAT OF ARMS



The Coat of Arms was granted to the university on July 15, 2009 by Claire Boudreau, Chief Herald of Canada under the authority of the Governor General of Canada. The Coat of Arms offers a graphic representation of important facets of the university, as well as its history, values and achievements.

It highlights the university's ties to the regional, national and worldwide communities from which the university draws its mission and purpose. The university reserves the use of the Coat of Arms for commemorative and ceremonial purposes.

The Coat of Arms consists of a shield, a crest, supporters and a motto. The shield, at the centre of the arms, contains three elements: an open book, a canoe and a division line.

The open book denotes an institute of higher education. The inverted canoe alludes to intellectual exploration and signifies the university's location in Oshawa, which means portage or carrying place. The division line represents energy, innovation and community.

Atop the crest a falcon perches with its head facing forward to see the world as it is and to find ways to make a difference. The falcon, a symbol of leadership and persistence, holds a thunderbolt with flames at the top and bottom. Lightning bolts crossed behind the falcon emphasize the importance of technology. Thoroughbred horses flank the shield to reference Windfields Farm, which was located directly north of the university, and famed for breeding champion racehorses. As an official symbol of Canada, the horses also represent excellence, energy and agility. They stand on a mound of grass set with trillium flowers as a reference to Ontario. The university motto, *Cogitando et Agendo Ducemus*, means by thinking and doing, we shall lead.





THE UNIVERSITY MACE

The mace symbolizes the authority, independence and responsibility of the university as a protector, creator and facilitator of knowledge. It is carried before the President and Vice-Chancellor, and the Chancellor in the Academic Procession and rests on its stand throughout the ceremony.

The mace was unveiled at Convocation in 2007. Designed and crafted by Beth Alber, Associate Dean, Faculty of Design at OCAD University in Toronto, Ontario, it consists of a strong handle of carved cherry wood, an elegant and hardy tree native to southern Ontario. Rings of polished quartz and sodalite, in the university's colours, top the wood. The handle supports a crown of silver in the form of an abstracted flower bud, which is intended to be a reminder of our unending responsibility to nurture, protect and celebrate academic achievement among students, faculty and staff. The surfaces of the petals are etched with the microscopic imprint of a poplar leaf, as a symbol of hope and endurance. The mace is supported by a base of Belmont Rose granite from a quarry in the Kawartha Lakes region, representing the foundation of knowledge and our interdependence with the surrounding community.

GONFALONS

The gonfalon, a flag that hangs from a crosspiece or frame, originated in the medieval republics of Italy as an ensign of state or office. Universities from around the world have adopted gonfalons and they use them during Convocation ceremonies to symbolize the different academic areas within the university. The seven gonfalons displayed at the university's Convocation ceremonies represent the university and its six faculties. Gonfalon carriers march at the head of their faculty during the procession, followed by the students who will graduate from each of the faculties during the ceremony.



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Mitch and Leslie Frazer Faculty of Education



Faculty of Business and Information Technology



Faculty of Engineering and Applied Science



Faculty of Health Sciences

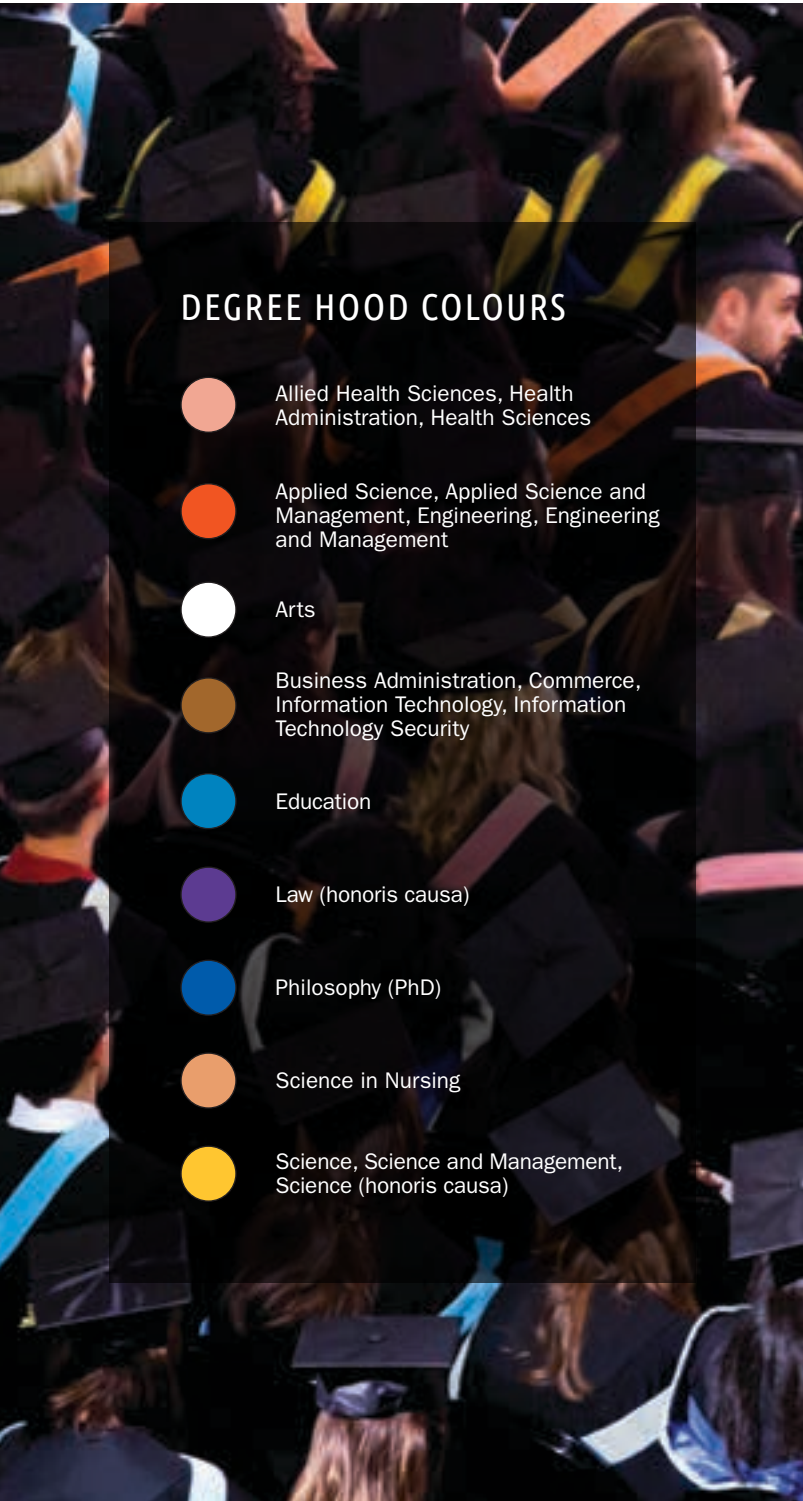


Faculty of Science



Faculty of Social Science and Humanities





DEGREE HOOD COLOURS

- Allied Health Sciences, Health Administration, Health Sciences
- Applied Science, Applied Science and Management, Engineering, Engineering and Management
- Arts
- Business Administration, Commerce, Information Technology, Information Technology Security
- Education
- Law (honoris causa)
- Philosophy (PhD)
- Science in Nursing
- Science, Science and Management, Science (honoris causa)

ACADEMIC REGALIA

The colourful academic dress worn in the Convocation ceremony was introduced more than 600 years ago. At the university, all graduates wear a gown, with a cap and hood. The gowns of bachelor's and master's graduates are black. The gowns of doctoral graduates are dark blue and trimmed in light blue. Mortarboards are worn by bachelor's and master's graduates, and velvet bonnets are worn by doctoral graduates. The hoods of bachelor's and master's graduates are black and the hoods of the doctoral graduates are dark blue. All degree hoods have an inside lining of royal blue as the colour of the university. The colour of the velvet trim on the hoods is distinctive of the degree that has been earned by the graduate. Graduate diploma recipients wear a black bachelor's gown.

The Chancellor and President and Vice-Chancellor wear gowns that are distinctive of the positions they hold in the university community. University governors who participate in the Convocation ceremony wear a gown and sash distinctive of the Board of Governors. University officers, faculty and staff who participate in the Convocation ceremony wear the academic dress distinctive of the institution from which they graduated and the degree they received. If the institution's colours are not available, participants will wear a black gown.

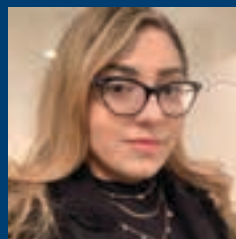
MESSAGE FROM THE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

Congratulations, class of 2024! You've persevered through lectures, labs, tutorials and deadlines, and today we celebrate all of your achievements. On behalf of the Alumni Association, I am thrilled to welcome you to Ontario Tech's alumni community! As you embark on this next stage of your lives, we cannot wait to see how you shape the future and become the leaders of tomorrow.

During your time at Ontario Tech, you've learned and developed lifelong connections. Convocation is only the beginning of your journey after university. You are now part of the Ontario Tech alumni family, who will always be here to support your success, whether it's through alumni benefits, networking events or career development opportunities. To stay connected with our university, I encourage you to visit our alumni website (alumni.ontariotechu.ca) and follow our social media channels to discover everything available to you as an Ontario Tech graduate. The Alumni Association Council and the Alumni office are here to help you by offering a wide variety of in-person and virtual programs as well as events and other services.

Alumni are the university's greatest ambassadors. You join our network of more than 30,000 graduates across the country and around the world. I hope you will stay connected with our university and your fellow alumni by sharing your experiences and accomplishments, and participating in alumni events. We are extremely proud of you and cannot wait to hear about everything you accomplish on your next adventure.

Congratulations!



Patil Mksyartinian
Faculty of Health Sciences,
class of 2020

Chair,
Alumni Association Council



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