## The inauguration of $John \; A. \; Fry$

FOURTEENTH PRESIDENT of DREXEL UNIVERSITY



### UNIVERSITY



TO SERVE OUR STUDENTS AND SOCIETY THROUGH COMPREHENSIVE INTEGRATED ACADEMIC OFFERINGS ENHANCED BY TECHNOLOGY, CO-OPERATIVE EDUCATION, AND CLINICAL PRACTICE IN AN URBAN SETTING, WITH GLOBAL OUTREACH EMBRACING RESEARCH, SCHOLARLY ACTIVITIES, AND COMMUNITY INITIATIVES.





### ACADEMIC DRESS

Academic dress originated with the cap and gown simply worn as the everyday attire of the medieval scholar. In 1895, a common code of academic dress was adopted by colleges and universities in the United States dictating three kinds of gowns and three lengths of hoods for bachelor's, master's and doctoral degrees. Three factors must be taken into consideration—the degree; the branch of knowledge; and the university by which the degree is granted.

The design of the gown's sleeves designates the degree granted. Many American universities, as well as British ones, now have gowns of characteristic color for the degree granting institution. The shape and size of the American hood mark the degree of the wearer, the lining of the hood is indicative of the institution granting the degree, and the velvet trim indicates the major field of knowledge.

Caps traditionally have a tassel fastened to the midpoint. A doctoral cap may have a tassel of gold thread.

Drexel University's president wears a doctoral gown, hood and cap in blue with gold.

#### **UNIVERSITY MACE**

An academic procession is led by a grand marshal / mace bearer carrying a ceremonial mace. The mace traces its origins to the Roman fasces, a bundle of rods bound together around an axe with the blade projecting, which was carried before magistrates as an emblem of authority. For academic institutions, it symbolizes the power of the president or the Board to confer degrees.

Drexel University's mace is gold-plated bronze and brass. The staff is embossed with the official seals of Drexel University and Drexel University College of Medicine. Crowning the staff is a dragon, the University's mascot representing strength, surmounted by a three-sided pyramid made of polished obsidian encircled by three gold bands forming a sphere representing science, art and industry.

### **PRESIDENTIAL MEDALLION**

Academic presidential medallions symbolize the wearer's allegiance to the institution. The chain itself connotes strength in unity. Presidents wear these ornate pieces on ceremonial occasions as part of their regalia.

Drexel University's presidential medallion is pure bronze embossed with the University seal and on the reverse side is engraved the name of the president and the dates of office. The chain is sterling silver with 18 karat gold vermeil plating.



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## THE INAUGURATION OF

# John A. Fry

## Fourteenth President of Drexel University April 15, 2011

University City Main Campus Philadelphia, Pa

## About John Fry



John Anderson Fry, appointed Drexel University's 14th president in 2010, has served higher education for his entire professional life. Through his roles as a consultant, board member, chief operating officer and chief executive, he has acquired a deep and broad understanding of the challenges of leading a major educational institution.

Fry came to Drexel from Franklin & Marshall College, where he served as president from 2002 and was instrumental in the college's academic growth, campus and neighborhood development and improved finances. He raised the college's national profile and brought a renewed confidence to the institution. During his tenure, the quality of the student body improved dramatically as measured by a 63-point gain in average SATs over seven years. He also improved residential life through the creation of the faculty-led, student-governed College House system. The student-to-faculty ratio was lowered to 10:1, with a commitment made to hire 40 new tenure-track faculty members. Franklin & Marshall's curriculum was updated and expanded in life sciences, computer science, creative writing and modern languages. Faculty compensation was brought to the median of the college's national competitors. Under his leadership, Franklin & Marshall made a long-term commitment to increase its financial aid to attract and enroll the most highly qualified students. Fry forged new partnerships with the city and neighbors, improving the surrounding business economic district and neighborhoods.

From 1995 to 2002, Fry served as executive vice president of the University of Pennsylvania. He was a major force in developing and implementing Penn's "Agenda for Excellence," a comprehensive plan that guided strategic initiatives from 1996 to 2001. As the university's chief operating officer, he was responsible for finance, investments, human resources, facilities and real estate, public safety, computing, technology transfer, research administration, corporate relations, auxiliary enterprises and internal audit and compliance. He also served as the university's liaison to the University of Pennsylvania Health System. At Penn, Fry built a coalition of non-profit, business, neighborhood and governmental organizations in support of a multi-pronged strategy to address the key challenges facing the University City neighborhood in West Philadelphia. In a relatively short period of time, residential property values rose significantly, the crime rate declined dramatically and hundreds of millions of dollars were invested in commercial infrastructure and economic development.

Before joining Penn, Fry was a higher education consultant. He worked closely with some of the nation's premier colleges and universities, first with KPMG Peat Marwick and then with Coopers & Lybrand's National Higher Education Consulting Practice, where he was elected a partner in the firm and eventually rose through the ranks to become partner-in-charge of the national practice. Fry serves on the boards of the Haverford School, Damon Runyon Cancer Research Foundation, Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts, the Greater Philadelphia Chamber of Commerce, Select Greater Philadelphia, the Schuylkill River Development Corporation and US Squash. He was the founding chairman of the University City District and served in that capacity for five years. He is also a director of Community Health Systems, Delaware Investments and NASDAQ-OMX.

In 2009, Fry completed his second term as chair of the NCAA Division III Presidents Council and stepped down after six years of service on the council. He also served for three years on the Executive Committee of the NCAA. He was appointed by President George W. Bush to serve on the Benjamin Franklin Tercentenary Commission that planned the celebration of Franklin's 300th birthday. Fry also served as a co-chair of the transition team of Governor-Elect Edward Rendell of Pennsylvania. A native of Brooklyn, N.Y., Fry studied American civilization at Lafayette College and received the *George Wharton Pepper Prize*, the highest honor awarded to a graduating senior. In 1986, he earned a master's degree in business administration from the New York University Stern School of Business.

Fry and his wife, Cara, an art historian, have three children: Mia, a sophomore at Williams College; Nathaniel, a sophomore at The Shipley School; and Phoebe, a fourth grader at The Shipley School.

### Order of Procession

Drexel University ROTC Color Guard

Grand Marshal and Mace Bearer

University Marshal Drexel University Professional Staff Drexel University Faculty Drexel University Executive Council State, Regional, and National Higher Education Presidents and Delegates Chief Marshal Drexel University Trustees

Stage Party

## Stage Party

Lawrence Fried, *President, Student Government Association; College of Medicine, M.D. Candidate 2011* 

John A. Fry, President, Drexel University

Richard A. Greenawalt '66, Chairman, Drexel University Board of Trustees

Mark L. Greenberg, Provost and Senior Vice President, Academic Affairs

Amy Gutmann, President, The University of Pennsylvania

Lucas S. Hippel, President, Undergraduate Student Government Association; College of Engineering, BS Chemical Engineering 2011

Barbara G. Hornum, *Chair, Faculty Senate; Associate Professor, Anthropology;* Director, Center for Academic Excellence

Freeman A. Hrabowski III, President, The University of Maryland, Baltimore County

Rabbi Isabel de Koninck, Director, Hillel at Drexel University

Philip B. Lindy HD '10, Philanthropist

Reverend David W. Peck, Saint James Episcopal Church, Lancaster, Pennsylvania

C.R. "Chuck" Pennoni '63 '66 HD '92, Vice Chair, Drexel University Board of Trustees; Immediate Past Interim President

Jonathan B. Soffer, President, Graduate Student Association; College of Arts and Sciences, Biophysical Chemistry, Ph.D. Candidate 2012

### MACE BEARER

Barbara G. Hornum, *Chair, Faculty Senate; Associate Professor, Anthropology;* Director, Center for Academic Excellence

### UNIVERSITY MARSHAL

N. John DiNardo, Vice Provost, Academic Affairs

### **CEREMONY MARSHAL**

Stephen Rupprecht, Assistant Dean, Student Conduct and Community Standards John E. Cooke, Associate Dean, Campus Engagement

### CHIEF MARSHAL

David A. Ruth, Dean of Students

## Order of Ceremony

### PROCESSIONAL

*Poetry and Power* - Alfred Reed, arranged by Myron Moss Dedicated to the memory of John F. Kennedy, and inspired by the speech dedicating the Robert Frost Library: "When power narrows the areas of man's concern, poetry reminds him of the richness and diversity of his existence."

Hoppípolla - Sigur Ros

Fanfare for the Common Man - Aaron Copland

Drexel Brass and Percussion Ensemble Myron D. Moss, *Music Program Director, Conductor* 

### **PRESENTATION OF COLORS**

Drexel University ROTC Color Guard

### THE NATIONAL ANTHEM

### INVOCATION

Reverend David W. Peck, Saint James Episcopal Church, Lancaster, Pennsylvania

### Welcome

Mark L. Greenberg, Provost and Senior Vice President, Academic Affairs

### **GREETINGS FROM THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA**

The Honorable Michael A. Nutter, Mayor, City of Philadelphia

I Dreamed In A Dream Walt Whitman (1819-1892), Leaves of Grass, 1867 Read by The Honorable Michael A. Nutter, Mayor, City of Philadelphia

#### **GREETINGS FROM THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

Richard A. Greenawalt '66, Chairman, Drexel University Board of Trustees

### GIFT PRESENTATION FROM THE DREXEL UNIVERSITY STUDENT BODY

Lucas S. Hippel, President, Undergraduate Student Government Association; College of Engineering, BS Chemical Engineering, 2011

### **INAUGURAL POEM**

*Long Island Sound*, Emma Lazarus (1849-1887) Read by Mia Anderson Fry

### GIFT PRESENTATION FROM THE Drexel University College of Medicine Student Body

Lawrence Fried, *President, Student Government Association; College of Medicine, M.D. Candidate, 2011* 

### **GREETINGS FROM THE FACULTY**

Barbara G. Hornum, *Chair, Faculty Senate; Associate Professor, Anthropology;* Director, Center for Academic Excellence

### GIFT PRESENTATION FROM THE DREXEL UNIVERSITY STUDENT BODY

Jonathan B. Soffer, President, Graduate Student Association; College of Arts and Sciences, Biophysical Chemistry, Ph.D. Candidate 2012

### INTRODUCTION OF THE HONORED SPEAKER

Amy Gutmann, President, The University of Pennsylvania

### HONORED SPEAKER

Freeman A. Hrabowski III, President, The University of Maryland, Baltimore County

### INTERLUDE

*To Dare,* Theodore Roosevelt, 26th President of the U.S. and winner of 1906 Nobel Peace Prize. Poem chosen by President John A. Fry.

"Far better is it to dare mighty things, to win glorious triumphs, even though checked by failure...than to rank with those poor spirits who neither enjoy much nor suffer much, because they live in a gray twilight that knows not victory nor defeat."

Drexel University Chorus, Drexel Brass and Percussion Ensemble Steven Powell, *Performing Arts Department Chair, Composer and Conductor* 

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### Order of Ceremony

### **Remarks for the Occasion**

C. R. "Chuck" Pennoni '63 '66 HD '92, Vice Chair, Drexel University Board of Trustees; Immediate Past Interim President

#### INVESTITURE

Medallion, Hood, and Cap presented by Richard A. Greenawalt '66, *Chairman*, Drexel University Board of Trustees, and C.R. "Chuck" Pennoni '63 '66 HD '92, Vice Chair, Drexel University Board of Trustees; Immediate Past Interim President

### **INAUGURAL ADDRESS**

John A. Fry, President

### Alma Mater

*The Drexel Ode* - Music: James M. Dickinson, Lyrics: Virginia Carter Castleman, Class of 1899 Drexel University Chorus, Drexel Brass Ensemble, and Audience

#### BENEDICTION

Rabbi Isabel de Koninck, Director, Hillel at Drexel University

#### RECESSIONAL

*Trumpet Tune* - Henry Purcell Drexel Brass and Percussion Ensemble

### POETRY READINGS

#### I DREAMED IN A DREAM

Walt Whitman (1819-1892), *Leaves of Grass*, 1867 Read by The Honorable Michael A. Nutter, *Mayor, City of Philadelphia* 

I dream'd in a dream I saw a city invincible to the attacks of the whole rest of the earth, I dream'd that was the new city of Friends, Nothing was greater there than the quality of robust love— it led the rest, It was seen every hour in the actions of the men of that city, And in all their looks and words.

#### LONG ISLAND SOUND

Emma Lazarus (1849-1887) Read by Mia Anderson Fry

I see it as it looked one afternoon In August, -by a fresh soft breeze o'erblown. The swiftness of the tide, the light thereon, A far-off sail, white as a crescent moon. The shining waters with pale currents strewn, The quiet fishing-smacks, the Eastern cove, The semi-circle of its dark, green grove. The luminous grasses, and the merry sun In the grave sky; the sparkle far and wide, Laughter of unseen children, cheerful chirp Of crickets, and low lisp of rippling tide, Light summer clouds fantastical as sleep Changing unnoted while I gaze thereon. All these fair sounds and sights I made my own.

## INAUGURAL MUSIC

Processional	<i>Poetry and Power</i> - Alfred Reed, arranged by Myron Moss Dedicated to the memory of John F. Kennedy, and inspired by the speech dedicating the Robert Frost Library: "When power narrows the areas of man's concern, poetry reminds him of the richness and diversity of his existence."
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	Drexel Brass and Percussion Ensemble
	Myron D. Moss, Music Program Director, Conductor
THE NATIONAL ANTHEM:	Drexel University Chorus, Drexel Brass and Percussion Ensemble, and Audience
THE STAR SPANGLED BANNER —Francis Scott Key	O! say can you see by the dawn's early light, What so proudly we hailed at the twilight's last gleaming,
	Whose broad stripes and bright stars through the perilous fight,
	<i>O'er the ramparts we watched, were so gallantly streaming?</i>
	And the rockets' red glare, the bombs bursting in air,

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O! say does that star-spangled banner yet wave, O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave?

Gave proof through the night that our flag was still there;

INTERLUDE: To Dare —Steven Powell

### Alma Mater: The Drexel Ode

Theodore Roosevelt, 26th President of the U.S. and winner of 1906 Nobel Peace Prize.Poem chosen by President John A. Fry.Drexel University Chorus, Drexel Brass and Percussion EnsembleSteven Powell, *Performing Arts Department Chair, Composer and Conductor* 

Music: James M. Dickinson, Lyrics: Virginia Carter Castleman, Class of 1899 Drexel University Chorus, Drexel Brass Ensemble, and Audience

Hail, Drexel, hail to thee, accept our praise. To you this joyful song thy children raise. Drexel is in our eyes like a guiding star; Bright with illuming rays, shining afar.

Drexel Brass and Percussion Ensemble

Splendid in beauty sure, wave our banners bold. Proclaiming truth with blue; great worth with gold. Now, as our music swells, rings this ancient song: Hail, Drexel, hail to thee! Our star shines strong.

### Recessional: Trumpet Tune

-HENRY PURCELL

## Honored Speaker: Freeman A. Hrabowski III

Freeman A. Hrabowski III, has served as President of UMBC (The University of Maryland, Baltimore County) since 1992. His research and publications focus on science and math education, with special emphasis on minority participation and performance. He chaired the National Academies committee that recently produced the report, "Expanding Underrepresented Minority Participation: America's Science and Technology Talent at the Crossroads."

In 2008, he was named one of America's Best Leaders by U.S. News & World Report, which in both 2009 and 2010 ranked UMBC the #1 "Up and Coming" university in the nation and among the top colleges and universities for commitment to undergraduate teaching. In 2009, Time magazine named him one of America's 10 Best College Presidents. In 2011, he received the TIAA-CREF Theodore M. Hesburgh Award for Leadership Excellence,



recognized by many as the nation's highest award among higher education leaders. TIAA-CREF honors those "who demonstrate innovative thinking and a positive impact on both higher education and society." He serves as a consultant to the National Science Foundation, the National Institutes of Health, the National Academies, and universities and school systems nationally. He also serves on a variety of foundation and corporate boards, including, for example, The Urban Institute, the Alfred P. Sloan Foundation, and the Marguerite Casey Foundation (Chair).

Examples of honors include election to the American Academy of Arts & Sciences and the American Philosophical Society; receiving the prestigious *McGraw Prize in Education*, the U.S. *Presidential Award for Excellence in Science, Mathematics, and Engineering Mentoring*, and the Columbia University *Teachers College Medal for Distinguished Service*; being named a Fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science and *Marylander of the Year* by the editors of the *Baltimore Sun*; and being listed among *Fast Company* magazine's first *Fast 50 Champions of Innovation* in business and technology. He also holds honorary degrees from more than 20 institutions – from Harvard and Princeton, Duke and the University of Michigan, to Franklin & Marshall and Harvey Mudd College.

With philanthropist Robert Meyerhoff, he co-founded the Meyerhoff Scholars Program in 1988 for high-achieving minority students committed to pursuing advanced degrees and research careers in science and engineering. The program has become a national model, and based on program outcomes, Hrabowski has authored numerous articles and coauthored two books, *Beating the Odds* and *Overcoming the Odds* (Oxford University Press), focusing on parenting and highachieving African American males and females in science. Both books are used by universities, school systems, and community groups around the country. A child-leader in the Civil Rights Movement, Hrabowski was prominently featured in Spike Lee's 1997 documentary, *Four Little Girls*, on the racially motivated bombing in 1963 of Birmingham's Sixteenth Street Baptist Church.

Born in 1950 in Birmingham, Alabama, Hrabowski graduated at 19 from Hampton Institute with highest honors in mathematics. At the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, he received his M.A. (mathematics) and four years later his Ph.D. (higher education administration/statistics) at age 24.

### DELEGATES

1209 · University of Cambridge Paul Hirshorn, Alumnus

1636 · Harvard University Robert Field, Alumnus

1693 · The College of William and Mary Seth Finck, *Alumnus* 

1701 · Yale University Paul Tierney, Alumnus

1740 · University of Pennsylvania Amy Gutmann, *President* 

 1742 · Moravian College
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 Barbara Vinciguerra, Assistant Professor, Accounting
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1743 · University of Delaware Tom Apple, *Provost* 

1746 · Princeton University John H. Glick, *Alumnus* 

1764 · Brown University Jean Dowdall, Alumna

1770 · College of Charleston Jeffery Twiss, Alumnus

1773 · Dickinson College Robert Brasler, *Alumnus* 

1781 · Washington & Jefferson College Paul Scoles, *Alumnus* 

1787 • Franklin & Marshall Susan Kline Klehr, *Alumna, Trustee* 

**1789** • The University of North Carolina Betsy Oliphant *Alumna* 

1791 · The University of Vermont Letitia Biddle, Alumna 1793 · Williams College Suzanne Biemiller, Alumna

1795 · Union College Nancy Reardon, Alumna

1801 · University of South Carolina Kevin Lahn, Alumnus

1808 · Mount St. Mary's University Patrick McGinn, Alumnus

**1819 · Maryville College** William A. Cunningham, *Alumnus* 

1820 · Indiana University Kevin Owens, Alumnus

1821 · George Washington University Luther Brady, Alumnus

1821 · University of the Sciences Russell DiGate, *Provost* 

1821 · Amherst College Paul Nyirjesy, Alumnus

1822 · Hobart College James Robinson, Alumnus

1824 · Thomas Jefferson University Robert Barchi, President

1826 · State University of New York at Fredonia Amanda Anderson, *Alumna* 

**1826 · Lafayette College** Wendy Hill, *Provost and Dean of the Faculty* 

1826 · Furman University Jim Simmons, Alumnus

1829 · Rochester Institute of Technology James Miller, Alumnus 1832 · Gettysburg College Sherrin Baky, *Trustee Emerita* 

1833 · Haverford College Stephen Emerson, President

1833 · Kalamazoo College William Garrow, Alumnus

1834 · Wheaton College Helen Leaman, Alumna

1837 · Mount Holyoke College Jane Barth, *Alumna* 

1837 · Knox College Mary Hinz, Alumna

1838 · Colby College Nancy Epstein, Rabbi

1839 · Boston University Arnold Katz, Alumnus

1839 · Virginia Military Institute Rick Killmeyer, Alumnus

1842 · Hollins University Christina Dimacali, Alumna

1843 · College of the Holy Cross George Dowdall, *Alumnus* 

1843 · Clarke University Jenifer Westphal, Alumna

1846 · Bucknell University John Nesbitt, *Alumnus* 

1846 · Beloit College Peggy Vogt, Alumna

1847 · Otterbein University Michael Cabus, Alumnus Delegate responses as of April 6, 2011

1848 · Muhlenberg College Edward Davis, *Alumnus* 

1851 · Santa Clara University Anneliese Tedeschi, Alumna

**1851** · University of the Pacific Jie Du, *Alumna* 

1851 · Northwestern University Stephen Karpf, Alumnus

1851 · Ripon College Andrew Kitslaar, Alumnus

1851 · Lasell College Joanne Lord-Dibella, Alumna

1851 · Saint Joseph's University William Madges, Dean, College of Arts and Sciences

1853 · Mount Aloysius College Thomas Foley, *President* 

1853 · Arcadia University James P. Gallagher, Interim President

1853 · University of Florida Molly Napolitano, Alumna

1855 · Bates College Richard Gelles, Alumnus

1855 · Millersville University of Pennsylvania Dominick DiNunzio, Alumnus

1856 · University of Maryland, College Park Wayne Kimmel, *Alumnus* 

1856 · St. Lawrence University Lisa Tarbox Luke, *Alumna* 

1857 · The University of the South - Sewanee Georgia Herpel, Alumna

1861 · Vassar College Philip Jefferson Alumnus

1863 · La Salle University Thomas Keagy, Dean, School of Arts and Sciences

1864 · University of Denver Janice Madden, Alumna

**1865 · Worcester Polytechnic Institute** Diran Apelian Howmet, *Professor, Mechanical Engineering* 

1865 · Peirce College James Mergiotti, President and CEO

1865 · Lehigh University Frank Roth, General Counsel

1867 · Lewis & Clark College Sara Cerato, Alumna

1867 · Cedar Crest College Julianne Winters, *Alumna* 

1868 · Keystone College Frank Illuzzi, *Alumnus* 

1870 · Wellesley College Sabrina DeTurk, Alumna

1870 · Syracuse University Alice Elgart, Alumna

1870 · Loyola University Chicago Robert Langran, Alumnus

1871 · State University of New York at Geneseo Kenneth Hartman, *Alumnus* 

1871 · Elmhurst College Joseph Jenci, Alumnus

1871 · Smith College Mary Simmonds, Alumna

1873 · Vanderbilt University Barbara Cresswell, Alumna 1873 · Texas Christian University Donna Faye Burchfield, Director, School of Dance

1876 · University of the Arts Sean Buffington, President

**1876 · Juniata College** Lorri Panaia Shideler *Director, Conferences and Events* 

1880 · Southern University and A & M College Vicki Riley, Alumna

1881 · Marquette University Janice Welburn, Alumna

1885 · Bryn Mawr College Jane McAuliffe, President

1885 · Goucher College SaraKay Smullens, Alumna

1886 · Winthrop University Julie Goolsby, Alumna

**1887 · Whittier College** Claude H. Bennett, *Alumnus* 

1887 · Nebraska Wesleyan University Larry Ewer, Alumnus

1888 · New Mexico State University Arnold Feldman, Alumnus

1889 · Saint Leo University William Griffin, Jr., Alumnus

1890 · University of Chicago Jian-Min Yuan, Alumna

1891 · Rice University Bor-Chin Chang, Alumnus

1891 · Stanford University Kenneth L. Shropshire, *Alumnus* 

**1894 · Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts** Dawn Wanner, *Alumna*  1896 · Adelphi University Theodore Vigilante, Alumnus

**1898 · Northeastern University** Stephen Zoloth, *Dean, Bouve College of Health Sciences* 

1899 · Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine Peter Doulis, Vice President, Finance and CFO

**1899 · Elizabethtown College** Michael Spangler, *Alumnus* 

**1900 · Carnegie Mellon University** Alexander Friedlander, *Alumnus* 

1908 · William Smith College Margaret Greenawalt, Alumna

1908 · James Madison University Cliff Stevens, Alumnus

1909 · Messiah College Timothy Peterson, Professor, Urban Studies

1911 · Connecticut College Eric Kaplan, Alumnus

1913 · Georgia State University David Gefen, Alumnus

1913 · Philadelphia Biblical University Todd Williams, President

**1925 · Eastern University** David Black, *Alumnus* 

1925 · Xavier University of Louisiana Shelita G. Bourgeois, Alumna

**1930 · Old Dominion University** Chris Platsoucas, *Dean, College of Sciences* 

1933 · Wilkes University Robert Ruggiero, Alumnus

1937 · Pepperdine University Nicholas Mitchell, Alumnus **1937 · Siena College** James Powers, *Alumnus* 

1942 · Fairfield University James McHugh, Alumnus

**1944** · University of California, Santa Barbara Jason Baxter, Assistant Professor

1946 · Le Moyne College Jed Cunningham, Alumnus

**1948 · Gwynedd-Mercy College** Mary Reilly, *Chair, Behavioral Sciences* 

1953 · Association of Independent Colleges and Universities Don Francis, President

**1953 · Pennsylvania Institute of Technology** William Larkin, *Alumnus* 

**1954 · Holy Family University** Patricia Giulianna, *Alumna* 

**1957 · Cabrini College** Stephen Lightcap, Vice President, Finance and Administration

**1961 · St. Thomas University** James Cox, *Alumnus* 

**1964 · Community College of Philadelphia** Stephen Curtis, *President* 

**1965 · Neumann University** Ryan Savitz, *Alumnus* 

**1967** · University of Nebraska Lincoln Megan Place, *Alumna* 

**1972** • Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences Charles Rice, *President* 

## INSTITUTIONAL GREETINGS

Greetings received as of April 6, 2011

Abilene Christian University Phil Schubert, President

Alcorn State University Norris A. Edney, Interim President

Amberton University Melinda H. Reagan, *President* 

American Association of State Colleges and Universities Muriel A. Howard, *President* 

American University Cornelius M. Kerwin, *President* 

Anderson University Evans P. Whitaker, *President* 

Anna Maria College Jack P. Calareso, *President* 

Asbury College Sandra C. Gray, President

Ashland University Frederick J. Finks, President

Athens State University Robert K. Glenn, *President* 

Baldwin-Wallace College Richard W. Durst, President

Barton College Norval C. Kneten, President

Bemidji State University Richard A. Hanson, President Benedictine College Stephen D. Minnis, President

Berea College Larry D. Shinn, President

Berklee College of Music Roger H. Brown, President

Berry College Stephen R. Briggs, President

Bethel College Steven Cramer, President

Biola University Barry H. Corey, President

Black Hills State University Kay Schallenkamp, President

Bluffton University James M. Harder, President

**Bowling Green State University** Carol A. Cartwright, *President* 

**Brandeis University** Frederick M. Lawrence, *President* 

Brigham Young University Cecil O. Samuelson, President

Bryan College Stephen D. Livesay, President

Bryant University Ronald K. Machtley, President **California Institute of Technology** Jean-Lou A. Chameau, *President* 

California State University, Bakersfield Horace Mitchell, *President* 

California State University, Channel Islands Richard R. Rush, *President* 

California State University, Chico Paul J. Zingg, President

**California State University, Long Beach** F. King Alexander, *President* 

California State University, Northridge Jolene M. Koester, President

California State University, San Bernardino Albert K. Karnig, *President* 

California State University, Stanislaus Hamid Shirvani, President

Campbell University Jerry M. Wallace, President

Capital University Denvy A. Bowman, President

Cardinal Stritch University Sr. Camille Kliebhan, Interim President

Carlow University Mary E. Hines, President

Carson-Newman College J. Randall O'Brien, President Carthage College F. Gregory Campbell, *President* 

Centenary College Barbara-Jayne Lewthwaite, *President* 

Central Methodist University Marianne E. Inman, President

Central Washington University James L. Gaudino, President

**Chadron State College** Janie C. Park, *President* 

Christian Brothers University John Smarrelli, Jr., *President* 

Claflin University Henry N. Tisdale, President

**Clarion University of Pennsylvania** Karen M. Whitney, *President* 

Clark University David P. Angel, President

Clayton State University Thomas J. Hynes, President

**Clemson University** James F. Barker, *President* 

Coastal Carolina University David A. DeCenzo, President

Coker College Robert L. Wyatt, President

**College of Charleston** P. George Benson *President* 

College of Mount Saint Vincent Charles L. Flynn, Jr., *President* 

College of Our Lady of the Elms Mary Reap, *President* 

**College of Saint Benedict** MaryAnn Baenninger, *President* 

**College of Saint Elizabeth** Francis Raftery, *President* 

**College of Staten Island City University of New York** Tomás D. Morales, *President* 

Connecticut College Leo I. Higdon, Jr., President

**Cornell College** James W. Brown, *President* 

**Cornell University** David J. Skorton, *President* 

**Council of Independent Colleges** Richard Ekman, *President* 

Dalton State College John O. Schwenn, President

**Denison University** Dale T. Knobel, *President* 

**DePaul University** Dennis H. Holtschneider, *President* 

**DePauw University** Brian W. Casey, *President* 

Dickinson College William G. Durden, President **Doane College** Jonathan Brand, *President* 

D'Youville College Denise A. Roche, *President* 

Eastern Connecticut State University Elsa M. Nunez, *President* 

Eastern Michigan University Susan W. Martin, *President* 

Eastern Washington University Rodolfo Arévalo, President

Edinboro University of Pennsylvania Jeremy D. Brown, *President* 

Elizabethtown College Theodore E. Long, *President* 

Emory & Henry College Rosalind Reichard, President

**Emporia State University** Michael R. Lane, *President* 

Fairfield University Jeffrey P. von Arx, President

Fairmont State University Thomas L. Krepel, President

Fayetteville State University James A. Anderson, *Chancellor* 

**Ferris State University** David L. Eisler, *President* 

**Fitchburg State College** Robert V. Antonucci, *President* 

Florida Gulf Coast University Wilson G. Bradshaw, President Florida Institute of Technology Anthony J. Catanese, *President* 

**Franklin College of Indiana** James G. Moseley, *President* 

**Furman University** Rodney A. Smolla, *President* 

Geneva College Kenneth A. Smith, *President* 

George Washington University Steven Knapp, President

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## About Drexel University



In the closing decades of the 19th century, Philadelphia financier and philanthropist Anthony J. Drexel envisioned an institution of higher learning uniquely suited to the needs of a rapidly growing industrial society and of the young men and women seeking their place in it.

In 1891, he realized his vision with the establishment of the Drexel Institute of Art, Science and Industry. In founding the Institute, Anthony J. Drexel launched a tradition of innovation, which today is carried on by Drexel University.

Although distinguished by decades of growth and change from Mr. Drexel's Institute of Art, Science and Industry, the University remains faithful to his vision. Its greatly expanded enrollment, campus and curriculum reflect a history of responsiveness to societal and individual needs, which Mr. Drexel sought to address in his day.

Originally a non-degree-granting institution, Drexel began conferring the bachelor of science degree in 1914, when its 18 departments were organized into four schools. In 1927, the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania granted Drexel the privilege to confer the master of science degree, and in 1965, the doctor of philosophy degree.

Along with its degree offerings, the institution's curriculum and organization of academic programs have developed, evolving to include 10 colleges and four schools. In accord with this evolution, Drexel has undergone two changes in name, in 1936 becoming Drexel Institute of Technology and in 1970, Drexel University. The current

name reflects the institution's commitment to research, as well as the breadth of its graduate programs.

Despite the many changes during its first century, Drexel's identity has held constant. Since its founding, the institution has remained a privately controlled, non-sectarian, coeducational center of higher learning, distinguished by a commitment to preparing men and women for success in their chosen careers.

The cornerstone of the career preparation Drexel provides has been the University's co-operative education program. Introduced at Drexel in 1919, the program has become integral to the University's educational experience. Through it, students alternate periods of study with periods of full-time professional employment related to their academic and career interests.

Drexel's co-operative education program was among the first in the nation, and today it is one of the largest and most diverse. Through co-op, Drexel students are currently employed by approximately 1,300 companies in 30 states and 24 international locations.

In addition to its career focus, another constant element in Drexel's identity has been its commitment to providing technological expertise for society's needs. This commitment kept the institution operating around the clock during World War II to serve more than 3,000 visiting participants in the Engineering Defense Training Program. Following the war, rapid expansion of knowledge and the nation's drive for technological preeminence continued to be a source of growth for the University.

In 1983, Drexel became the nation's first university to require all undergraduates to have personal access to a microcomputer for use in all of their coursework. In the years since, computer and online technology have become an integral part of instruction throughout the University's curriculum. In 2000, Drexel became the first university to have a fully wireless campus, and in 2002 Drexel rolled out the first web portal for handheld devices to access university information and services. Today, Drexel continues to build upon strengths in the fields of science and engineering, preparing professionals for leadership in the global technological community through studies in a broad range of disciplines.

New schools were established in 1997 to provide specialized studies: the School of Education, now part of Goodwin College, and the School of Biomedical Engineering, Science and Health Systems. All of the University's academic programs enjoy the highest level of accreditation appropriate to their respective disciplines.

In April 2002, Drexel's mission, services and opportunities expanded further when MCP Hahnemann University, a major Philadelphia health sciences institution, became Drexel University College of Medicine, College of Nursing and Health Professions and School of Public Health. This historic event extended the resources of Drexel and led to many productive synergies in teaching and research. In 2006, Drexel became the first major research university to open a new law school in 25 years. The Earle Mack School of Law is one of only two law schools to follow a co-operative model.

Drexel University enrolls more than 23,500 fulland part-time students in programs leading to associate's, bachelor's, master's, doctoral and professional degrees (including M.D. and J.D.) in the Colleges of Arts and Sciences, Engineering, Information Science and Technology (the iSchool at Drexel), and Nursing and Health Professions; the Schools of Public Health and Biomedical Engineering, Science and Health Systems; and the Bennett S. LeBow College of Business, Pennoni Honors College, Earle Mack School of Law, Antoinette Westphal College of Media Arts & Design, Drexel University College of Medicine and Richard C. Goodwin College (including the School of Education and the School of Technology and Professional Studies). The University's record of success to date promises an auspicious future and testifies to the genius of Anthony J. Drexel's vision, which has shaped the growth of the institution since its inception.

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- ★ Established in 1919, Drexel's co-operative education program is one of the oldest, largest, and most successful. Approximately 1,300 companies in 30 states and 24 international locations participate in the program.
- ★ In 1983, Drexel became the first university to require all students to have microcomputers.
- ★ In 2000, Drexel became the first major university to implement a fully wireless campus.
- ★ In 2002, the University launched DrexelOne Mobile, the first wireless Web portal service for students, followed in 2011 by the DrexelOne Mobile app, the first university smartphone portal available for five smartphone platforms.
- ★ In 2005, Drexel was among the first in the nation to distribute free iPods to incoming freshmen in the School of Education to explore new ways of integrating the latest technologies into teaching.

- ★ Founded in 1850, the Female Medical College of Pennsylvania (later Woman's Medical College of Pennsylvania and Medical College of Pennsylvania and now Drexel University College of Medicine) was the first medical school for women in the world.
- ★ The Drexel University College of Medicine has the nation's largest private medical school enrollment.
- ★ Drexel became the first major research university to open a new law school in 25 years with the founding of the Earle Mack School of Law in 2006, and Drexel has one of only two law schools in the nation that follow a co-operative education model.
- ★ The College of Nursing and Health Professions was the first in Pennsylvania to offer a co-operative education program for nursing students.

- ★ The School of Public Health is the only fully accredited public health school in Philadelphia, and one of only two in Pennsylvania.
- ★ The Math Forum@Drexel is the Internet's leading mathematics learning community and was ranked by Scientific American as one the top five sites for mathematics in its annual Sci/Tech Web Site Awards.
- ★ Athletics has eight NCAA Division I sports for men and eight for women, making Drexel one of the few colleges or universities in the nation that enjoys total parity between men's and women's athletics. As a result, Drexel was named No. 1 in the nation for athletic gender equity by U.S. News & World Report.
- ★ Drexel is a pioneer in e-Learning, offering degrees online since 1996 including the first fully online master's degree.
- ★ Drexel's College of Engineering has the largest number of undergraduates in the United States.

## Drexel Rankings

For eight consecutive years, Drexel has been ranked in the category of Best National Universities in "America's Best Colleges" by U.S. News & World Report. The University placed 86th overall in the 2011 rankings, a jump of two places from 2010 and the third straight time Drexel has been in the top 100.

Drexel also ranked second among national universities in the *U.S. News* list of "Up-and-Comers," those schools most often cited by university administrators nationwide as making "the most promising and innovative changes in the areas of academics, faculty, student life, campus, or facilities." Drexel has been in the top 10 each of the three years this list has been published.

Drexel and the University of Pennsylvania are the only Philadelphia universities ranked in the top 100 by U.S. News, joined by Carnegie Mellon, Lehigh, Penn State and the University of Pittsburgh across Pennsylvania.

In a recent Times Higher Education ranking Drexel ranked among the top 200 universities in the world and 76th among the top universities in North America.

### **UNIVERSITY-WIDE RANKINGS**

- ★ Department of Public Safety ranked No. 4 nationally (Security Magazine)
- ★ Online programs ranked among the best online graduate degrees in business, engineering, and library science (U.S. News)
- ★ Co-operative education program ranked in the nation's top 20 (U.S. News)
- ★ Named one of America's "Top 25 Most Connected Campuses" (The Princeton Review / Forbes.com)

#### D R E X E L U N I V E R S I T Y

### College, School and Academic Program Rankings

- ★ Bennett S. LeBow College of Business ranked No. 1 in the nation for part-time MBA academic quality (*Businessweek*), No. 15 (graduate) and No. 19 (graduate) for entrepreneurship (*Entrepreneur Magazine/Princeton Review*) and No. 3 in the nation for Executive MBA career progression and No. 19 overall (*Financial Times*).
- ★ The School of Education, Goodwin College, ranked No. 9 among graduate programs at national private universities (U.S. News).
- ★ The *iSchool* at Drexel, College of Information Science and Technology's Master of Science in Library and Information Science ranked No. 9 nationally, with library and information science specialties in information systems, health librarianship and digital libraries ranking 3rd, 5th and 6th respectively (*U.S. News*).
- ★ Antoinette Westphal College of Media Arts & Design interior design programs ranked No. 6 nationally for undergraduate and No. 9 for graduate (*DesignIntelligence*).
- ★ Drexel University College of Medicine ranked 88th overall for research, 92nd in primary care, and 16th in women's health programs (U.S. News).
- ★ College of Nursing and Health Professions physician assistant program ranked among the nation's top 30 and physical therapy and anesthesia programs ranked among the nation's top 60 (U.S. News).
- ★ The College of Arts and Sciences psychology program ranked 7th in research productivity among the nation's colleges offering doctoral programs in clinical psychology (*Academic Analytics as reported in The Chronicle of Higher Education*).
- ★ Drexel's College of Engineering ranked in the top 20 of private universities in the nation (U.S. News).
- ★ The joint Computer Science (College of Engineering) and Digital Media (Antoinette Westphal College of Media Arts & Design) gaming program ranked No. 7 among the "Top Undergraduate Schools for Video Game Design Study for 2011" and No. 5 among the top graduate schools (*Princeton Review*).
- \* The Materials Science and Engineering Department ranked No. 11 in the nation (National Research Council).
- \* The Mechanical Engineering and Mechanics graduate program ranked 29th out of 128 (top quartile) programs in the nation (National Research Council).

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President Fry has boldly challenged Drexel University to transform the Mantua and Powelton Village communities and improve the lives of West Philadelphians. Initiated by a group of Drexel students, faculty and administrators, this project has been highlighted as a blueprint for the Drexel community to follow in meeting this challenge. Drexel Smart House is a student driven initiative to develop a sustainable model for urban living with potential to transform the lives of Philadelphians and the global community. Funds raised in conjunction with the Inauguration help support this student-led community initiative at Drexel.



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-Theodore Roosevelt, 26th President of the U.S. and winner of 1906 Nobel Peace Prize