

# *The Investiture of Dianne F. Harrison, Ph.D.*

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## *About California State University, Northridge*

California State University, Northridge is a vibrant, global community located in the heart of Los Angeles' San Fernando Valley.

Founded in 1958, it is one of the largest universities in the United States, enrolling approximately 36,000 students a year, including 31,000 undergraduate and 5,000 graduate students. CSUN is the Valley's only four-year public educational institution. The university has nine colleges that offer undergraduate degrees in 63 disciplines, graduate degrees in 57 fields, doctorates in education and physical therapy and a variety of credential and certificate programs.

Cal State Northridge has received national recognition for many of its programs, including engineering, business and economics, and biology. CSUN credentials more teachers than the entire UC system combined. CSUN's Tseng College is one of the largest extended education programs at a public university in California.

During its most recent accreditation review, Cal State Northridge was called a "model learning organization" for its focus on student success and learning. Continuously evolving and changing to meet the needs of its students, CSUN uses innovative tools, including online courses and technology, to enhance student outreach and success. Recently, the university received an international award for its online master's in communication disorders and sciences and has

launched a multidisciplinary initiative to use tablets in the classroom.

CSUN students reflect the rich diversity of Southern California and the university is committed to an inclusive approach to higher education. It is a Hispanic Serving Institution and ranked among the top 10 universities in the nation for bachelor's degrees awarded to Hispanic students and to all minority students. CSUN enrolls the largest number of deaf students of any mainstream university in the country, the largest number of Armenian students outside of Armenia and the largest number of international students in the CSU. CSUN currently has memoranda of understanding with 55 institutions of higher education in 19 countries.

The university has played a critical role in the intellectual, cultural and economic development of Southern California. Its award-winning buildings, including the state-of-the-art Valley Performing Arts Center and the Student Recreation Center, have garnered the campus a reputation as one of the most "sustainable" universities in the CSU system.

With more than 220,000 alumni and 4,000 employees, CSUN is an integral part of the economic vitality of the region—generating a total impact of \$954 million in economic activity on average annually. It is one of the largest employers in the Valley. About 85 percent of its alumni continue to live, work and contribute to the success of the region.

## *President Dianne F. Harrison*



Dianne F. Harrison, Ph.D. became the fifth president of California State University, Northridge in June 2012. Before her appointment, she

served as president of California State University, Monterey Bay since 2006. Prior to that, she worked at Florida State University, where she served for nearly 30 years starting as a faculty member, then as dean of social work, associate vice president for academic affairs, dean of graduate studies and vice president for academic quality and external programs.

Since her appointment, Harrison has identified seven key priorities for CSUN: an unrelenting focus on student success; a focus on employees for success; enhancing the visibility of the university; planning for a future less dependent on state funding; increasing research activity and sponsored programs; sustainability; and using athletics as a tool for student, employee, alumni and community engagement.

She holds a Ph.D. in social work from Washington University in St. Louis and a master's of social work and a bachelor's in American Studies, both from the University of Alabama. Her academic and research areas of expertise include HIV prevention among women and minority populations and higher education issues related to social work and university leadership.

Recognized for her leadership and service, Harrison has served on boards and committees of more than 65 national, state and local organizations. She currently serves on the board of the Association of American Colleges and Universities and the executive board for the California Campus Compact, as well as on numerous educational leadership boards, including the CSU Council on Ocean Affairs, Science and Technology; the CSU Technology Steering Committee; and the CSU Presidents' Council on Underserved Communities. In 2011, Harrison was appointed by Governor Brown to serve on the Western Interstate Commission for Higher Education, where she now serves as vice chair. She was elected to the Western Association of Schools and Colleges Commission on Accreditation in 2012.

As an active civic leader, she serves on the boards of directors for the Los Angeles Area Chamber of Commerce and the Valley Industry and Commerce Association and is a member of the Leadership Council of the Los Angeles Cleantech Incubator. She has been honored by the Parent Institute for Quality Education (PIQE) and was inducted into the Monterey Business Hall of Fame. In 2012, she was invited by the U.S. Department of Education to a national convening of "For Democracy's Future: Education Reclaims Our Civic Mission" at the White House.

Harrison and her husband, John Wujack, live in Northridge and have two adult children.

# *Order of Ceremonies*

## **MUSICAL PRELUDE**

JAZZ "A" BAND

Matt Harris, Director

Saxophones: Tanner Dawson, Shai Golan, David Otis,

Stephen Spencer, Herman Tu

Trumpets: Mitchell Cooper, Everett Kelly, Dylan Peck, Cameron Wilkins

Trombones: Desmond Ng, Abdullah Ebrahim, Ruben Mejia,

Sean Shackelford

Guitar: Victor San Pedro, David Shorr

Bass: Robert Bowman, Teresa Sanchez

Vibes: Evan O'Shaughnessy

Piano: Rich Brown, Michael Ragonese

Drums: Hayley Brownell, JoJo Ramirez

## **PROCESSIONAL**

JAZZ "A" BAND

Matt Harris, Director

WIND ENSEMBLE

Lawrence Stoffel, Director

Trumpets: Mitchell Cooper, Everett Kelly, Cameron Wilkins

French Horns: Daniela Gaitan, Elizabeth Grasz, Jonathan Rodriguez,

Daniel Ward

Trombones: Desmond Ng, Kelly McCarley, Austin Asano

Tuba: Robby Stearns

Percussion: Bob Grigas, Lauren Keber, Joshua Martinez

## **PROCESSION**

California State University, Northridge Faculty, Emeritus Faculty and Staff

California State University, Northridge Students

Delegates of Colleges and Universities

Delegates of the California State University

Platform Party

## **CALL TO ORDER**

William Watkins '74

*Vice President for Student Affairs and Dean of Students*

## *Order of Ceremonies (Continued)*

### **NATIONAL ANTHEM**

Vocalist: Babatunde Akinboboye

JAZZ “A” BAND

Matt Harris, Director

### **GREETINGS TO THE PRESIDENT ON BEHALF OF THE CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

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Veronica Grant

*Special Assistant to the Vice President for University Advancement*

### **ON BEHALF OF THE FACULTY**

Steven Stepanek '73, M.S. '80

*Faculty President*

### **MUSICAL INTERLUDE**

CSUN GUITAR QUARTET

Christian Cruz, Juan Garcia, Adrian Martinez, Raymond Milco

## *Order of Ceremonies (Continued)*

### **INVESTITURE OF THE PRESIDENT**

Timothy P. White  
*Chancellor, The California State University*

### **PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS**

Dianne F. Harrison  
*President, California State University, Northridge*

### **THE ALMA MATER**

"Hail to the Matadors"  
Vocalist: Babatunde Akinboboye

JAZZ "A" BAND  
Matt Harris, Director

### **RECESSIONAL**

WIND ENSEMBLE  
Lawrence Stoffel, Director

JAZZ "A" BAND  
Matt Harris, Director

*A reception sponsored by PepsiCo Foodservice will be held following the ceremony in the courtyard of the Valley Performing Arts Center.*

### **ANNOUNCER**

G. Michael Phillips  
*Professor, Department of Finance, Real Estate and Insurance*

### **INTERPRETERS FOR THE HEARING IMPAIRED**

Kate Bess and Kevin Cikatricis

# *Alma Mater*

## **Hail to the Matadors**

*Written in 1967 by Richard Kaufman '77*

Hail to all the Matadors,  
And to our school so dear.  
As we move along the road of life,  
Let us keep from doubt or fear.  
For the knowledge which we find here,  
For all who urge us on,  
The spirit of the red and white,  
Will brighten every dawn.  
Where the sun is shining,  
And where truth leaves an open door,  
To honor strong and courage tall,  
We hail our Matador.



# *Order of Procession*

## **GRAND MARSHAL AND MACE BEARER**

Steven Oppenheimer  
*Professor, Department of Biology*

## **CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, NORTHRIDGE FACULTY, EMERITUS FACULTY AND STAFF**

## **CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, NORTHRIDGE STUDENTS**

## **DELEGATES OF COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES**

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*Alumnus, Washington University in St. Louis (1853)*

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## *Order of Procession (Continued)*

Tomás Morales

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## *Academic Regalia*

The history of academic dress dates back to medieval European universities of the 14th century. Although European universities continue to follow varied patterns in cut and color of gown and type of headdress, U.S. universities have standardized academic dress so that its features are generally uniform throughout the country.

### **ACADEMIC DRESS**

The gown is ordinarily black for academic degrees, but some universities have adopted other colors. Gowns for master's and doctoral degrees are generally ankle length and closed in front. The master's gown has pointed sleeves that are slit at the elbows. The doctor's gown has wide lapels of velvet, either black or the color of the scholar's specialization. The hood, which drapes over the back of the gown, carries the greatest symbolism of all components of academic dress. Its length, width, trim color and the colors of the lining indicate the wearer's highest academic achievement; the master's hood is pointed and the doctor's hood is bell-shaped. The color of the border of the hood indicates the scholar's major field of study. The lining color identifies the institution that conferred the degree. Hoods were originally trimmed in fur but now have satin borders for masters and velvet for doctors. The customary head covering is the mortarboard, or the Oxford cap, with a tassel on the left side. The soft, doctoral tam, modeled after the cap of Cambridge University, has also been adopted by some universities. The following colors are associated with the degrees frequently represented in academic processions:

Agriculture.....	Maize
Arts, Letters, Humanities.....	White
Commerce, Accountancy, Business.....	Drab
Dentistry.....	Lilac
Economics.....	Copper
Education.....	Light Blue
Engineering.....	Orange
Fine Arts, Architecture.....	Brown
Forestry, Environmental Studies, Sustainability.....	Russet
Journalism.....	Crimson
Law.....	Purple
Library Science, Information Management.....	Lemon
Medicine.....	Green
Music.....	Pink
Nursing.....	Apricot
Oratory, Broadcasting.....	Silver Gray
Pharmacy.....	Olive Green
Philosophy.....	Dark Blue
Physical Education, Physical Therapy.....	Sage Green
Public Administration, Foreign Service.....	Peacock Blue
Public Health.....	Salmon Pink
Science (both Social and Natural).....	Golden Yellow
Social Work.....	Citron
Theology.....	Scarlet
Veterinary Science.....	Gray

## MACE

The mace is a ceremonial staff used as a symbol of authority. In the Middle Ages, the mace was a heavy club with a spiked or flanged metal knob at one end, used chiefly by knights to crush the armor of opponents. Royal bodyguards often carried maces to protect their monarch in processions. By the 14th century, maces had become more ceremonial in use and were decorated with jewels and precious metals, losing their war-club appearance. Maces were no longer used as weapons after the 16th century.

The California State University, Northridge mace was presented by the Bibliographic Society of CSUN (precursor to the Friends of the Library) to commemorate the university's 25th anniversary. The soaring bird atop the staff symbolizes academic freedom, while the silver marks the silver anniversary of CSUN. It was carried in 1983 for the first time in the commencement procession by Norman E. Tanis (then Director of University Libraries and Executive Secretary of the Bibliographic Society), who acted as sergeant-at-arms. The mace was constructed by former CSUN student Jeffrey Roter.

## PRESIDENTIAL MEDALLION

The Presidential Medallion is a traditional academic symbol of the authority of the presidency. The California State University, Northridge medallion is a golden replica of the university's seal depicting the San Fernando Valley's heritage of mission settlement, the mountain ranges that bound the valley, the sun, and a crow quill pen and paper. It was designed by emeritus professor David Elder of the Department of Art and cast in brass at the university's Fine Arts Foundry in 1970. It has been used at all university ceremonial occasions since that time.



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## *Notable Alumni*

Since it first began as San Fernando Valley State College in 1958, the university has graduated more than 220,000 students. California State University, Northridge takes great pride in the achievements of its graduates. Below are just a few of the most successful, creative and influential, as well as those who have joined the Northridge family through honorary degrees.

Alan Armer Hon. L.H.D. '02  
*Television Writer, Producer and Director*

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*Classical Vocalist*

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*Executive Assistant Director, FBI*

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## *Notable Alumni (Continued)*

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*CEO, Nestle Waters*

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*Opera Impresario and Singer*

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*Co-Anchor, CNBC Television's  
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Scott Horowitz '78, Hon. Sc.D. '97  
*Astronaut on Three Space Shuttle Missions*

Steve Howard '77  
*Nine-time Emmy Recipient,  
Costume Design*

Dolores C. Huerta Hon. L.H.D. '02  
*Labor Leader and Civil Rights Activist*

Ron Insana '84  
*Financial News Analyst, CBNC*

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*Federal Reserve Board Member*

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Education*

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*President, CBS Studio Center and  
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*President and CEO,  
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Ann Lieberman Hon. L.H.D. '97  
*Senior Scholar at the Carnegie Foundation  
for the Advancement of Teaching*

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*Governor of Hawaii*

Asad Madni Hon. Sc.D. '13  
*Internationally Renowned Engineer*

Philip S. Magaram Hon. L.H.D. '03  
*Attorney and Principal, Valensi Rose, PLC*

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Costume Design*

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## *Notable Alumni (Continued)*

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Nominated Screenwriter*

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*Pentagon Correspondent, CNN*

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*Co-creator and Executive Producer,  
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Carol Vaness M.A. '77, Hon. D.F.A. '98  
*Opera Singer*

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*President, Tropicana Hotel, Las Vegas,  
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