THE INAUGURATION OF
BRIAN W. CASEY
17TH PRESIDENT
COLGATE UNIVERSITY

A Celebration of Colgate

ACADEMIC QUAD
THE THIRTIETH OF SEPTEMBER
TWO THOUSAND SIXTEEN
HALF PAST FOUR O’CLOCK
INAUGURATION CEREMONY

PRELUDE
Wachet auf, ruft uns die Stimme, BWV 645, by J.S. Bach
Glenn Kime, University Organist

PROCESSIONAL
Mohawk Valley Frasers
Order of the Procession
Platform Party
Trustees of Colgate University
College and University Delegates
Faculty and Administration
Alumni Council

GOSPEL WELCOME
Keep on Making a Way by Percy Gray Jr.
Sojourners Gospel Choir and Colgate University Chamber Singers
Dianne Adams McDowell & R. Ryan Endris, Directors

WELCOME
Jill Harsin
Professor of History, Interim President 2015-2016

INVOCATION
Mark Shiner
University Chaplain

PRESENTATION OF THE UNIVERSITY KEY
Daniel B. Hurwitz ’86, P’17, P’20
Chair, Board of Trustees

PRESENTATION OF THE FACULTY GAVEL
Constance Harsh
Interim Provost and Dean of the Faculty
Professor of English

GREETINGS FROM THE STUDENT BODY
Matthew Swain
President of the Student Government Association

GREETINGS FROM THE STAFF
Thomas Cruz-Soto
Associate Dean of Campus Life

GREETINGS FROM HAMILTON, NEW YORK
Eve Ann Shwartz
Town Supervisor

MUSICAL INTERLUDE
Set Me As a Seal by René Clausen
Colgate University Chorus
R. Ryan Endris, Director

INAUGURATION POEM
Peter Balakian
Donald M. and Constance H. Rebar Professor in the Humanities
Recipient, 2016 Pulitzer Prize for Poetry

GREETINGS FROM THE ACADEMY
Marvin Krislov
President of Oberlin College

PRESIDENT’S REMARKS
Brian W. Casey
THE THIRTEEN FOUNDERS
OF COLGATE UNIVERSITY

John Bostwick
Joel W. Clark
Thomas Cox
Daniel Hascall
Charles W. Hull
Nathaniel Kendrick
Amos Kingsley
Jonathan Olmstead
Samuel Osgood
Elisha Payne
Samuel Payne
Robert Powell
Peter P. Roots

THE PRESIDENTS
OF COLGATE UNIVERSITY

Nathaniel Kendrick 1836–1848
Stephen William Taylor 1851–1856
George Washington Eaton 1856–1868
Ebenezer Dodge 1868–1890
George William Smith 1895–1897
Elmer Burritt Bryan 1909–1921
George Barton Cutten 1922–1942
Everett Needham Case 1942–1962
Vincent MacDowell Barnett Jr. 1963–1969
Thomas Alva Bartlett 1969–1977
George D. Langdon Jr. 1978–1988
Charles Karelis 1999–2001
Rebecca S. Chopp 2002–2009
Jeffrey Herbst 2010–2015
Brian W. Casey 2016

BENEDICTION
Kheytsun Rinchhen ’19
Colgate Buddhist Community President
Chelsea Mohr ’17
Colgate Jewish Union President
Ilias Stitou ’19
Muslim Student Association President
Alex Valdez ’19
Secular Association of Skeptical Students President
Paul Jackson ’19
Sojourners Gospel Choir President
Shambhavi Sawhney ’17
Hindu Student Association President

ALMA MATER
Led by the Colgate Thirteen, Swinging ’Gates, and Resolutions
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RECESSIONAL
Mohawk Valley Frasers

Reception to follow on the Residential Quad — all are welcome
(rain location: Ho Science Center atrium)
HISTORICAL SKETCH OF COLGATE UNIVERSITY

Hamilton, New York, was still a frontier settlement in 1817 when 13 men met to found the Baptist Education Society of the State of New York. The founders are said to have backed up their experiment in education with 13 dollars and 13 prayers.

The state legislature chartered the society in 1819; that same year, Hamilton was selected as the site for the society’s school. Four years later, New York City Baptists, convinced of the benefits of education in the country, decided to consolidate their seminary with the Hamilton school.

Wealthy soapmaker William Colgate and his associates, who had founded and nurtured the seminary, turned their attention upstate to what became known as the Hamilton Literary and Theological Institution. In so doing, a Colgate family connection was established, and it continues to this day.

The nucleus of the campus was Samuel Payne’s farm, acquired in 1826, and the first permanent building, West Hall, was erected by faculty members and students a year later. By 1834, the institution had three departments — preparatory, collegiate, and theological — and it wasn’t until 1839 that young men “not having the ministry in view” were first admitted.

The granting of a charter by the state legislature empowered the institution to confer degrees, and the name was changed to Madison University in 1846. The university would again be renamed in 1890 — as Colgate — in grateful recognition of the nearly 70 years of interest and service shown by members of the Colgate family.

The preparatory department, known as Colgate Academy since 1873, was discontinued in 1912, and the theological division merged with Rochester Theological Seminary to become the Colgate Rochester Divinity School in 1928. Thereafter, the purpose of Colgate University was primarily undergraduate instruction in the liberal arts, and its orientation was nonsectarian. Colgate enrolled its first coeducational class in 1970.

Today, Colgate provides an expansive liberal arts education to approximately 2,870 undergraduates as well as several graduate students — seeking to prepare wise, thoughtful, critical thinkers and perceptive leaders for lives of meaning, purpose, and productive citizenship.

BIOGRAPHY OF BRIAN W. CASEY

Brian W. Casey, who has had a lengthy history at several of America’s leading academic institutions as both a student and an administrator, became Colgate’s 17th president on July 1, 2016.

Born and raised in New Jersey, Casey graduated summa cum laude from the University of Notre Dame in 1985 with a BA degree in philosophy and economics. While at Notre Dame, he was elected to Phi Beta Kappa, was captain of the varsity swim team, and was named Scholar-Athlete of the Year in 1985. Casey continued on to Stanford Law School, where he was a member of the law review, receiving his JD in 1988 with honors.

Casey’s professional career began in law, practicing with the New York firm of Davis Polk & Wardwell. He went on to earn his PhD in the history of American civilization at Harvard University, where he focused specifically on the history of American higher education and American intellectual history, taking his degree in 2000.

In 2001, he became assistant provost at Brown University. There, he engaged in academic planning in the arts and sciences, supporting faculty research and interdisciplinary education. He eventually returned to Harvard University in 2005 as associate dean for academic affairs in the Faculty of Arts and Sciences, responsible for faculty appointments and development.

Casey served as president of DePauw University from 2008 to 2016, leading that institution through a period of comprehensive planning and growth that resulted in significant investments in both campus programs and in the economic development of the City of Greencastle, Indiana. He formed a new student financial aid endowment program, raising more than $70 million in funding for aid, and launched DePauw’s first comprehensive capital campaign in nearly two decades. Within a year after the public launch, DePauw had raised more than $270 million toward the campaign’s $300 million goal; during Casey’s tenure, DePauw’s overall endowment increased more than 51 percent. Under Casey’s leadership, DePauw created an integrated advising center for off-campus study, internships, career planning, and pre-professional and graduate school preparation.
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In the processional, delegates march in order of the founding of their institutions.

1636 Harvard University
Barbara Hoopes
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Professor of Biology, Colgate University

1693 College of William and Mary
G. Gary Ripple
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Dean of Admissions
Colgate 1964, Trustee Emeritus

1740 University of Pennsylvania
Clemson Smith Muniz
Alumnus, Brister Society Member

1746 Princeton University
Vijay Ramachandran
Alumnus
Associate Professor of Computer
Science; Department Chair,
Colgate University

1749 Washington and Lee University
James G. Brock
Alumnus

1754 Columbia University
Keith Goggin
Alumnus
Colgate 1990

1764 Brown University
Hanna Rodriguez-Farrar
Trustee Emeritus

1793 Williams College
Jason R. Meyers
Alumnus
Associate Professor of Biology and
Neuroscience, Colgate University

1794 Bowdoin College
Kenneth D. Novak
Alumnus

1795 Union College
Robert Kelly
Chief of Staff

1812 Hamilton College
David Wippman
President

1813 Colby College
David A. Greene
President

1821 Amherst College
Michael Haines
Alumnus
Banfi Vintners Professor of
Economics, Colgate University

1821 McGill University
David N. Harpp
Professor of Chemistry, Tomlinson
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1823 Trinity College
Ian Terrell
Alumnus
Assistant Men’s Rowing Coach,
Colgate University

1824 Cazenovia College
Richard L. Smith
Chair, Board of Trustees
Colgate 1968

1826 Lafayette College
David Sunderlin
Associate Professor of Geology
Colgate 1999

1831 Denison University
Ashwin Lall
Assistant Professor of Computer
Science and Mathematics
Colgate 2003

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1833 Oberlin College
  Marvin Krislov
  President

1837 DePauw University
  James B. Stewart, Jr.
  Alumnus and Trustee

1837 Mount Holyoke College
  Mary H. Moran
  Alumna
  Professor of Anthropology and
  Africana and Latin American
  Studies, Colgate University

1841 Fordham University
  Alexis Harrigan
  Senior Director of Development,
  Fordham WFUV
  Colgate 1996

1843 College of the Holy Cross
  Tracy W. Barlok
  Vice President for Advancement
  Colgate 1986

1846 Bucknell University
  Molly D. Butzer
  Senior Regional Director, Alumna

1853 Washington University in St. Louis
  Edward S. Macias
  Provost Emeritus, Barbara and
  David Thomas Professor
  Colgate 1966, Trustee Emeritus

1855 Bates College
  Victor McKisick
  Reverend, First Presbyterian Church

1856 St. Lawrence University
  Samuel S. Stradling
  Alumnus
  Colgate Parent 1988

1864 Swarthmore College
  Susanna McVaugh
  Alumna

1870 Syracuse University
  Judith C. Mower
  Trustee

1871 Smith College
  Beth Balmuth Raffeld
  Vice President for Development
  Colgate Parent 2010

1871 SUNY Geneseo
  Andrew M. Coddington
  Alumnus
  Associate Vice President for
  Institutional Advancement; Director
  of Planned Giving, Colgate University

1889 Barnard College
  Bret Silver
  Vice President of Development
  Colgate 1988

1903 Skidmore College
  Debra K. Townsend
  Interim Vice President for
  Communications and Marketing

1911 Connecticut College
  Helen R. Dewey
  Alumna

1946 LeMoyne College
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