



MARITIME COLLEGE
STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK

2021
WINTER
COMMENCEMENT

Friday, January 29, 2021

3:00 PM

PROGRAM

PROCESSIONAL

Dr. Karen E. Markoe
Grand Marshal

PRESENTATION OF THE COLORS

THE NATIONAL ANTHEM

Andrew Danko '22

GREETINGS FROM PROVOST AND VP FOR ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

Dr. Jennifer K. Waters
Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs

VALEDICTORIAN

Daniel M. Venditto '21
Bachelor of Science, International Transportation and Trade

KEYNOTE ADDRESS

Mr. Joshua M. Shapiro
Chief Operating Officer, Liberty Maritime Corporation

CONFERRING OF DEGREES

RADM Michael A. Alfultis, Ph.D.
President

Dr. Jennifer K. Waters
Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs

GREETINGS FROM MARAD

Kevin M. Tokarski '84
Associate Administrator for Strategic Sealift, Maritime Administration

REMARKS TO GRADUATES

Kevin Danko '95
President, Maritime College Alumni Association

PRESIDENT'S REMARKS

RADM Michael A. Alfultis, Ph.D.

CONGRATULATORY MESSAGES

From the College Community

TOAST

RECOGNITION OF GRADUATES

KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Joshua M. Shapiro

Chief Operating Officer, Liberty Maritime Corporation



Joshua Shapiro joined Liberty Maritime Corporation (LMC) and Liberty Global Logistics (LGL) in 2009. He was subsequently promoted to the position of Vice President of both companies with responsibilities ranging from Chartering and Trade Management to Business Development and Technological Solutions. He was named the Chief Operating Officer of LMC in April 2016.

As Executive Vice President of LGL, Mr. Shapiro is integrally involved in the ocean transportation and logistics company, overseeing all modes of its diversified point to point logistics solutions including ocean, trucking, air and rail. He is a member of the Executive Management Committee, which is responsible for the business performance, strategic partnerships and growth strategies of the companies.

Liberty currently operates a modern fleet of U.S. flag dry bulk vessels and U.S. flag car carriers. The companies also charter in various vessels in their business operations.

Mr. Shapiro received a B.A. in Political Science from Emory University in Atlanta, GA. He then worked in Washington, D.C. as a Personal Aide and Legislative Policy Advisor to New York Congressman Thomas Reynolds, who was then a member of the House Leadership. Mr. Shapiro's legislative background includes experience with public policy, marine transportation and logistics, as well as agribusiness.

Prior to joining LMC and LGL, Mr. Shapiro received a master's degree in Shipping, Trade and Finance from the Cass Business School of City University in London during which time he gained working experience at various ship brokerage firms.

He is an elected member of the American Bureau of Shipping, the Young Shipping Professionals of New York and an Associate Member of the Association of Ship Brokers and Agents.

GRADUATES

MASTER OF SCIENCE

★ *International Transportation Management* ★

Julian M. Amato	Brian Thomas Mazzara
Aman Jayesh Bhalodi	Timothy McKean
William Brewer	Aditya Nangia
Jerry Nelson Brown	Zachery Jake Parilla
Douglas James Buell	Patrick Thompson-Sevcik
Dylan Quenton Bush	Leonidas Tsampas
Nicholas Cheng	Manfredo Rafael Valdez
Steven Chernow	Jake Michael Vera
Evan Lance Goldschlag	Amanda Marie Weinbuch
Sohrab Hossain Mohammad-	Hongji Zhao
Khurshid Haider	

BACHELOR OF ENGINEERING

★ *Electrical Engineering* ★

Mamadi Lembone

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★ *Facilities Engineering* ★

John Ishak

BACHELOR OF ENGINEERING

★ *Marine Engineering* ★

Tristan James Carrieri	Sean Patrick Walden
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BACHELOR OF ENGINEERING

★ *Mechanical Engineering* ★

Flavio Rojas	Luis Miguel Uribe
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BACHELOR OF ENGINEERING

★ *Naval Architecture* ★

Evandro C. J. Agostinho	Salvador Enrique Menoyo
Brandon M. Hyner	Alexander Joseph Miller
Lauren McCord	Arina Suprunova

GRADUATES

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

★ *International Transportation and Trade* ★

Ariel Arty Almonte	JohnPaul J. O’Leary
Daniel Terence Bendig	Stephen Paris
Benjamin Peter Caffrey	Stefanie Kathrina Pawluk
Shawn Patrick Callahan	Jon-Michael S. Provetto
Matthew William DeMeo	Quentyn Edward Rowland
Dylan Reid Dreher	Decovan A. Simmons
Joseph Thomas Fragale	Christopher Frank Tavernese
Owen Michael Haesecker	Daniel Michael Venditto
Andrew S. Mincin	Brian Walter
Thomas Neil Mongeau	Jia Yi Xu

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

★ *Marine Environmental Science* ★

Sadiq Carrington	David Michael Rackoff
Paul Grady	Ojaira Suero

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★ *Marine Operations* ★

James Thomas Brown	Kayla Marie Kelly
Alexander Freeburg	Maxwell Barry Winders
Gunnar Carlson Jacobs	

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★ *Marine Transportation* ★

Kyle Timothy Bentley	Salvatore Robert Macaluso
Peter Borzi	Harrison Andrew Malley-Dohring
Declan Conway	Liam Ryan McSwigin
Ashley S. Del Missier	Daniel Pavel Nelson
Gabriel S. DiPopolo	Jack Rowan Tuffy
Devin Martin Hazel	Eric Wissemann

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

★ *Maritime Studies* ★

Arturo Claudio	Peter Snyder
Danielle Saran Dobbs	

Some students participating in today’s ceremony earned their degrees earlier in the academic year.

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