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2022 Commencement

Last weekend we celebrated our graduates as they took part in the first in-person commencement on campus in two years. We welcomed our graduates to the Donald P. Corbett Business Building before their ceremonies to celebrate in the DPC Atrium with friends, family, faculty, and refreshments. Together we walked over to the UMaine Field House to line up for commencement, gifting each graduate the Maine Business School woodallion and alumni pin. It was glorious to honor our graduates in person,
finally, after two years of virtual or near-virtual graduation ceremonies. We’re not out of the woods yet as it pertains to Covid, but the relief of some normalcy on campus was welcomed with open arms! You will find more photos from our MBA and BSBA commencement on our Facebook page.

Honors and Awards Recipients

Nineteen students and three faculty members were honored with awards at our Spring 2022 Honors & Awards ceremonies. We also inducted 22 BSBA and 9 MBA students into Beta Gamma Sigma, the international honor society for AACSB-accredited business programs. We held an in-person ceremony (with Zoom capabilities) in DPC 100 with a reception following in the Atrium. Special recognition to our faculty award winners: Dr. Sebastian Lobe for the Excellence in Teaching Award; Dr. Yonggang "Tim" Lu for the Excellence in Research Award; and Dr. Grant Miles (pictured above with Executive Dean Faye Gilbert and Associate Dean Jason Harkins) for the Carol B. Gilmore Memorial Service Award. Take a look at all the award winners here.

Outstanding Graduating Students

Two MBS students were included in the
University of Maine's Outstanding Graduating Student awards and received medals of honor. **Grace Graham**, a triple major in accounting, finance, and financial economics from Cary, Maine, was named Outstanding Student in the MBS. **Jakub Sirotá**, a management and marketing student from the Czech Republic and a member of the men's ice hockey team, was named Outstanding Graduating International Student in the MBS. Grace was chosen to carry the Maine Business School banner during commencement ceremonies!

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**MaineMBA Ranked #35 by Fortune Magazine**

The Graduate School of Business was one of four business institutions in New England, and only one in Maine, to be ranked by *Fortune Magazine*. “Given the considerably increased competition in online and hybrid business education, our faculty, students, and alumni should all be very proud of this result. Kudos to all who work so very hard to make the MaineMBA special,” says Dr. Norm O'Reilly, Dean of the Graduate School of Business. [Read more...]

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**Featured Alumni**

Two MBS alums, Joel French, '04, and Jacob Olson, '14, returned to their alma mater to represent Cintas at our Explore Careers Casually lunch and learn this spring. [Read more...](https://mail.google.com/mail/u/0/?ik=6098647e0e&view=pt&search=al...
Nick Johnson, Class of 2022, took part in UMaine's Center for Undergraduate Research, presenting his research on China's effect on the U.S. economy. Read more...