



ADVANCED DEGREE CEREMONY

THURSDAY, JUNE 1, 2023 | 11:00 A.M.

MEDIA LAB, 6TH FLOOR

E14-674 MULTI PURPOSE ROOM



MASSACHUSETTS INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY

PROGRAM

WELCOME

Agustín Rayo PhD'01

Kenan Sahin Dean of School of Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences; Professor of Philosophy

ADDRESS TO THE CANDIDATES

Dr. Meicen Sun PhD'22 (Political Science)

Postdoctoral Scholar with the Program on Democracy and the Internet at Stanford University

CONFERRAL OF MASTERS' DEGREES

A faculty representative from each department presents degrees to the graduates.

CONFERRAL OF DOCTORAL DEGREES AND INVESTITURE OF HOODS

A faculty representative from each department invests the graduates with their doctoral hoods.

READERS OF RECIPIENT NAMES

Martha Eddison

Special Assistant & Senior Communications Strategist to the President

CLOSING REMARKS

Agustín Rayo

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ASL stream:

commencement.mit.edu/SHASS-ADC-ASL-webcast



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PRESENTATION ORDER

MASTERS' DEGREES

DATA, ECONOMICS, AND DEVELOPMENT POLICY

COMPARATIVE MEDIA STUDIES

SCIENCE WRITING

HISTORY, ANTHROPOLOGY, AND SCIENCE,
TECHNOLOGY, AND SOCIETY

LINGUISTICS

POLITICAL SCIENCE

DOCTORAL DEGREES

ECONOMICS

Glenn Ellison

Professor of Economics and Department Head

Arnaud Costinot

Professor of Economics and Associate Head

HISTORY, ANTHROPOLOGY, AND SCIENCE,
TECHNOLOGY, AND SOCIETY

Deborah Fitzgerald

Professor and Department Head (STS)

LINGUISTICS & PHILOSOPHY

Daniel Fox

Anshen-Chomsky Professor of Language & Thought
and Department Head

Roger White

Professor Philosophy of Science, Epistemology,
Metaphysics, Linguistics and Philosophy

POLITICAL SCIENCE

David Singer

Raphael Dorman-Helen Starbuck Professor of Political
Science and Department Head

STUDENT SPEAKER



DR. MEICEN SUN, PHD'22 (POLITICAL SCIENCE)

Meicen Sun is a postdoctoral scholar with the Program on Democracy and the Internet at Stanford University. Starting fall 2023, she will be an assistant professor at the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign School of Information Sciences. Her research examines the political economy of information and the effect of information policy on the future of innovation and state power. Her writings have appeared in academic and policy outlets including *Foreign Policy Analysis*, *Harvard Business Review*, *World Economic Forum*, the *Asian Development Bank Institute*, and *The Diplomat* among others. She had previously conducted research at the Center for Strategic and International Studies and at the UN Regional Centre for Peace and Disarmament in Africa. Bilingual in English and Chinese, she has also written stories, plays, and music and staged many of her works — in both languages — in China, Singapore and the U.S. Sun served as a Fellow on the World Economic Forum's Global Future Council on China and is a Research Affiliate with the MIT Initiative on the Digital Economy. She holds an A.B. with Honors from Princeton University, an A.M. with a Certificate in Law from the University of Pennsylvania, and a Ph.D from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

ACADEMIC REGALIA

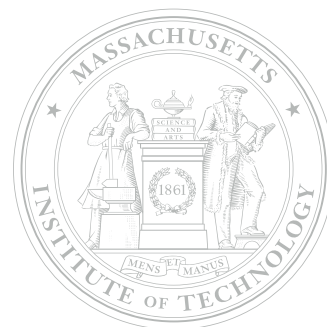
Academic costume has evolved over centuries. The rules governing American academic regalia go back only to 1893, when an Intercollegiate Commission agreed upon standards for gowns and hoods. The history of regalia is much older, however, and the scholar's gown and hood dates back at least to the 15th century, if not earlier.

Hoods once served as head covers, shoulder capes, or bags for alms and one vestige of those earlier days survives in the form of a small sack at the bottom of the hood. The Doctoral degree robe, which may be worn opened or closed, has a velvet panel on each side of the front opening, extending around the neck and to the bottom of the hem in front. Three horizontal velvet bars are positioned on the upper part of each of the full, bell-shaped sleeves.

A distinct design for the MIT Doctoral degree robe was adopted in 1995. It is silver-gray with a cardinal red velvet panel outlined in silver-gray piping on each side of the front opening, extending around the neck to a V-point in the back and to the bottom of the hem in front. Cardinal red velvet bars outlined in silver-gray piping are positioned on the upper part of each of the sleeves. An eight-sided, silver-gray tam with a cardinal red tassel is worn with this robe.

The all-black robe may be worn by those with MIT Doctoral degrees, as the MIT robe is optional. At MIT, only recipients of Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) and Doctor of Science (ScD) degrees are invested with hoods. The Doctoral degree hood has a rounded base and is four feet long. The velvet trim signifies by color the type of Doctoral degree — for MIT, blue for PhD degrees and yellow for ScD degrees.

The lining of the hood carries the school's colors — cardinal red and silver-gray for MIT. For the joint program in Oceanography/Applied Ocean Science and Engineering, which leads to a single degree awarded by MIT and the Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution, the WHOI color of Old Glory blue is added to the MIT colors in the hood lining. As the hood lies against the wearer's back, it should be arranged so that the lining colors show.



PROCESSION

Lily Tsai

Ford Professor of Political Science and Chair of the Faculty

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Professor and Department Head, Leverett Howell and William King Cutten Professor of the History of Technology (STS)

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Stefan Helmreich

Elting E. Morison Professor of Anthropology; Acting Department Head

FACULTY DIVISION

MARSHAL

Heather Anne Paxson

William R. Kenan, Jr. Professor and Head of Anthropology MacVicar Faculty Fellow

STUDENT DIVISION

MARSHAL

James Poterba

Mitsui Professor of Economics

ADVANCED DEGREE CANDIDATES | MASTER'S

SM in Data, Economics, and Development Policy

Kumar Abhinav
Faris AlWohaibi
Yann Bourgeois
Mohamed ElHabib Chenguiti Ansari
Chun Man Chow
Amschel de Rothschild
Tomas Dulka
Chuka Ezeoguine
Tom Harris
Massimiliano Hasan
Rodolfo Ilizaliturri Lopez
Mikey Jarrell
Shahzor Khan
Angelo Kisil Marino
Laura Lahoz Gonzalez
Nathan Lazarus
Cheng Wei Lee
Luis Lopez de Rivera Munoz
Leonardo Enrico Mendes
Farhad Panahov
Emily Porter
Anjaly Poruthoor
Indira Puri
Eder Redondo Santos
Cyrus Reginald
Max Resnick
Ilias Suvanov
Marc G Tan
Marcela Ulloa
Michael van Niekerk
Anna Vdovina
Linxi Wang

SM in Comparative Media Studies

Srushti Kamat
Ambar Reyes
Annis Sands

SM in Science Writing

Leah Campbell
Iris Crawford
James Dinneen
Shelby Evergreen
Emma Foehringer Merchant
Maria Rose
Grace van Deelen
Shafaq Zia

SM in History, Anthropology, and Science, Technology, and Society

Steven Gonzalez
Rustam Khan
Timothy Loh
Gabrielle Robbins
Boyd Ruamcharoen
Caroline White-Nockleby
Di Wu

SM in Linguistics

John Dennis
Masa Mocnik

SM in Political Science

Lauren David
Milain Fayulu
Julian Rippy

ADVANCED DEGREE CANDIDATES | PHD

ECONOMICS

Daniel Aronoff
Oguzhan Celebi
Yizhuang Alden Cheng
Jonathan Cohen
Joel Flynn
Adam Harris
Giacomo Lanzani
Andre Medeiros Sztutman
Thi Mai Anh Nguyen
Abigail Ostriker
Indira Puri
Garima Sharma
Joseph Shayani
Rahul Singh
John Sturm
Diana Sverdlin Lisker

HISTORY, ANTHROPOLOGY, AND SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, AND SOCIETY

Lauren Kapsalakis
Rijul Kochhar
Crystal Lee
Elena Sobrino
Michelle Spektor
John Tylko

LINGUISTICS

Frank Staniszewski
Christopher Baron
Sherry Yong Chen
Danfeng Wu
Tatiana Bondarenko

PHILOSOPHY

Lyndal Grant
Mallory Webber
Haley Schilling
Xinhe Wu
Ryan Ravanpak
Allison Balin

POLITICAL SCIENCE

Paige Bollen
Ying Gao
Aidan Milliff
Gabriel Nahmias
Blair Read
Emilia Simison
Meicen Sun
Lukas Wolters Freiheit

RECEPTIONS

Following the ceremony unless otherwise noted

SCHOOL OF HUMANITIES, ARTS, AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS

Thursday, June 1st, 2023

Time: 12:30pm-2:00pm

Location: Saxon Lawn

DEPARTMENT OF POLITICAL SCIENCE

Thursday, June 1st, 2023

Time: 12:30pm-2:00pm

Location: E53 4th floor

DEPARTMENT OF LINGUISTICS & PHILOSOPHY

Friday, June 2nd, 2023

Time: 1:00pm

Location: Bldg 32-D850 8th floor lounge; Stata Center

HISTORY, ANTHROPOLOGY, AND SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, AND SOCIETY

Thursday, June 1st, 2023

Time: 5:00pm-7:00pm

Location: Off-Campus Event by Invitation

