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2021 SPRING COMMENCEMENT

FRIDAY MAY 7TH, 2021 | 9:00 AM

DINÉ COLLEGE - TSAILE, ARIZONA

Dr. Charles "Monty" Roessel Diné College President

Congratulations Warriors!

The 2021 Diné College Commencement is a time of recognition and celebration for your accomplishment. Your Warrior family is proud of you. For some of you, the road has been easy and straight and for others commencement marks a long journey with many twists and turns. No matter how you got to hold that diploma in your hand, it is proof that you have the ability to be successful. Do not forget the feeling of graduating from college. You have learned new theories and ways to solve problems. You have written papers that made you look anew at old problems. You are not the same person you were when you started here at Diné College because today, you are a college graduate.

Now comes the hard part. What do you do with that college degree? I have a suggestion; think about giving back to your nation. Did you know that nearly 25,000 Navajos have some college but no degree? Be a role model and set an example. Provide the inspiration to get those you know to go back to school and finish what they started. Or, within your own family, encourage the attainment of a degree. Imagine what the Navajo Nation would be like if 50% of its citizens had a higher education degree or certificate.

You are proof that when a goal is set, with a commitment to hard work, anything is possible. Again, congratulations and don't forget to say thank you to all that helped you. I am counting on you to help create a more prosperous Navajo Nation. Based on your accomplishment, I am certain it will happen.

Take care,
– Dr. Monty Roessel



SPRING 2021 COMMENCEMENT

Friday, May 07, 2021 - 9:00 AM

Emcee:

James Tutt, Dean of STEM

Processional:

Avery Denny, Professor

National Anthem:

Roxyanne Harvey & Natiana King 2020-2021 Central Navajo Teen

Invocation:

Johnson Dennison, Board of Regent

Welcome:

President Charles "Monty" Roessel, Ed.D

Commencement Speaker:

Dr. Michael Lewis Tutt, Chief Medical Officer

Commencement Acknowledgement:

Provost Geraldine Garrity, Ed.D.

Conferral of Degrees & Certificates:

President Charles "Monty" Roessel, Ed.D

Alumni Induction Ceremony:

Patrick Blackwater, Faculty

Congratulatory Remarks:

Faye Sorrell, BS in Public Health

Benediction:

Theresa Hatathlie, Board of Regent

Recessional:

Diné College Song

Note: For in person graduates, please follow CDC guidelines by wearing a face mask, social distancing, and sanitize your hands frequently.

Diné College Journey Song

by Emery Denny
Revised by Herman Cody (02/11/2020)

Din4 College d66' naash1, Sa' ah Naghai Bek' eh H0zh=, Dzi[nanit' ooh
wo wo wei, d66' naash00 wo wo wei, Din4 College d66 naash1.

Sisnaajin7d66' naash1, Sa' ah Naghai Bek' eh H0zh=, Dzi[nanit' ooh
wo wo wei, d66' naash00 wo wo wei, Sisnaajin7d66 naash1.

Tsoodzi[d66' naash1, Sa' ah Naghai Bek' eh H0zh=, Dzi[nanit' ooh
wo wo wei, d66' naash00 wo wo wei, Tsoodzi[d66 naash1.

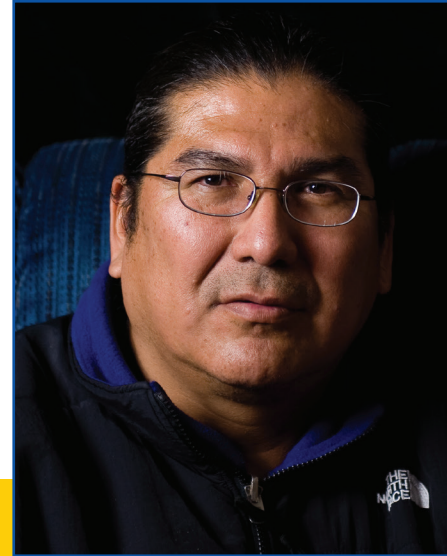
Dook' oos[7d d66' naash1, Sa' ah Naghai Bek' eh H0zh=, Dzi[nanit' ooh
wo wo wei, d66' naash00 wo wo wei, Dook' oos[7d d66 naash1.

Dib4 Nitsaa d66' naash1, Sa' ah Naghai Bek' eh H0zh=, Dzi[nanit' ooh
wo wo wei, d66' naash00 wo wo wei, Dib4 Nitsaa d66 naash1.

Dzi[N1' oodi[ii d66' naash1, Sa' ah Naghai Bek' eh H0zh=, Dzi[nanit' ooh
wo wo wei, d66' naash00 wo wo wei, Dzi[N1' oodi[ii d66 naash1.

Dzi[Ch' 0ol' 99d66' naash1, Sa' ah Naghai Bek' eh H0zh=, Dzi[nanit' ooh
wo wo wei, d66' naash00 wo wo wei, Dzi[Ch' 0ol' 99d66 naash1.

Din4 College d66' naash1, Sa' ah Naghai Bek' eh H0zh=, Dzi[nanit' ooh
wo wo wei, d66' naash00 wo wo wei, Din4 College d66 naash1.



**2021
Commencement
Speaker**

Dr. Michael Lewis Tutt

Tséhootsoó Medical Center Chief Medical Officer

Dr. Michael Tutt (Navajo) is the Chief Medical Officer for Fort Defiance Indian Hospital Board, Inc., also known as Tséhootsoó Medical Center in Fort Defiance, Arizona. Dr. Michael Tutt was born and raised in Shiprock, New Mexico. He is a father of four and a grandfather of three grandsons.

Dr. Tutt attended two high schools before graduating from Monument Valley High School in 1978. He studied chemistry at the University of Arizona in Tucson, Arizona and received his Bachelor of Science Degree in 1983. In 1984, he was accepted into Tufts University School of Medicine in Boston, Massachusetts where he received his Doctor of Medicine degree. He completed his Internal Medicine Residency program with St. Joseph Medical Center in Phoenix, Arizona in 1991 and in 1997 he completed his fellowship program in Rheumatology with the University of Arizona in Tucson, Arizona.

Dr. Tutt has been a part of Tséhootsoó Medical Center's medical staff for 15+ years and worked for Winslow Indian Health Care Center in Winslow, Arizona.

Dr. Tutt is board certified by the American Board of Internal Medicine and the American Board of Internal Medicine in Rheumatology. He is a member of the American Association for Physician Leadership, the Association of American Indian Physicians, and currently holds a license with the Arizona Medical Board.

Congratulations to the Spring 2021 Graduates!

FRIDAY, MAY 07, 2021 | 9:00 AM

SCHOOL OF SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING AND MATH

Associate of Science, Environmental Science

Kukunaokala Raymond Begay (TC)
Cauy S. Bia (TS)
Liah R. Frank (TS)
Jolina M. Gray (TS)*
Jessica L. King (SH)
Lekota Raeann Sage (TS)
Leila Yazzie (TS)*

Associate of Science, General Science

Alexander Merwin Nez (TS)

Associate of Science, Health Occupation

Matthew Z. Avery (TS)
Beautrice Ann Bahe (TS)
Shante' Bitsilly (TS)
Alex Brock (TC)** 
Chantanielle S. Clyde (TS)
Tony P. Cornfield (CH)
Sasha Lynn Gilmore (TS)
Celestine Jim (TS)
Ernestina Lia Poorman (TS)

Associate of Arts, Liberal Arts

Suzanne Begay (TS)

Leah Rae Thomas (TS)**
Timeka Dee Watchman (TS)
Ramona Slowman Yazzie (TS)

Associate of Science, Biology

Allyssa Wynter Joe (TS)
Autumn Sunshine Tsosie (TS)

Associate of Science, Mathematics

Crystanya Lynnelle Begay (TS)*

Associate of Science, Physics

Alexander Merwin Nez (TS)


Associate of Science, Public Health Socio-Cultural Option

Faith Sandra Baldwin (CH)
Charmayne Rae Begay (TS)
Erin L. Cleveland (TS)
LeShaunya Renae James (TS)
Chenoa A. Redhouse (TC)
Leah Rae Thomas (TS)**

Bachelor of Science, Biology

Lesley Taketchera Gravatt (TS)*
LeTanya R. Thinn (TS)

Bachelor of Science, Public Health

Charmayne Rae Begay (TS)
Quinlee Benally (WR)
Kyann Leigh Dedman-Cisco (TS)*
Marqia Aerial Sandoval (CH)
Krishanya Smith (TC)
Faye Hannah Sorrell (TS)**
Dalvina Ann Tsosie (CH) 
Pattie Lynn Tuttle (SH)

Certificate, Public Health

Nikki Estell Anderson (TC)
LeShaunya Renae James (TS)
Mikenzie John (SH)***
Shane M. Johnson (TS)
Alyssa Lee (SH)***
Chenoa A. Redhouse (TC)
LeTanya R. Thinn (TS)

SCHOOL OF ARTS, HUMANITIES AND ENGLISH

Graduation with Honors

* 3.50 to 3.69 Cum Laude

** 3.70 to 3.89 Magna Cum Laude

*** 3.90 to 4.00 Summa Cum Laude