

HERE ARE SOME HIGHLIGHTS OF THE 160TH COMMENCEMENT of Syracuse University and the 117th Commencement of the SUNY College of Environmental Science and Forestry, held jointly on May 11 in the Carrier Dome:

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# 2014 COMMENCEMENT





**DEGREES CONFERRED:**  
SU, 5,155; ESF, 575

**CLASS MARSHALS:**  
Stephen Rathbun, Falk College;  
Leo Wong, Newhouse School

**STUDENT SPEAKER:**  
Molly Linhorst, College of Arts  
and Sciences/Maxwell School

**HONORARY  
DOCTORAL RECIPIENTS:**  
Bruce M. Alberts, professor  
of biochemistry and biophysics,  
University of California, San  
Francisco, former president of  
National Academy of Sciences  
(Doctor of Science); David  
Remnick, Pulitzer Prize-winning  
author and editor of *The New  
Yorker* (Doctor of Humane  
Letters); Roy Simmons Jr.  
'59, former head coach of SU  
men's lacrosse team, artist and  
sculptor (Doctor of Fine Arts).

**COMMENCEMENT  
SPEAKER:** David Remnick

**QUOTING REMNICK:** I  
said I wanted to speak of the  
demands on you of vision. What  
I mean is that the rate and the  
way the world advances is  
dependent on us and now most  
definitely, as of this day, on you.  
Nothing is inevitable. If this day  
means anything, it means that  
you are now in the contingent  
of the responsible. You must be  
kind, yes, but you must also look  
beyond your own house. We're  
depending on you for your  
efforts and your vision. We are  
depending on your eye and your  
imagination to identify what  
wrongs exist and persist, and  
on your hands, your backs, your  
efforts to right them.



There was no shortage of cheers and celebrations from the Class of 2014 at Commencement. The graduates heard from *New Yorker* editor David Remnick (left, facing page), and many took time for the traditional photo with the Chancellor on the steps of Hendricks Chapel (top right, Chancellor Kent Syverud and his wife, Dr. Ruth Chen, pose with a graduate).