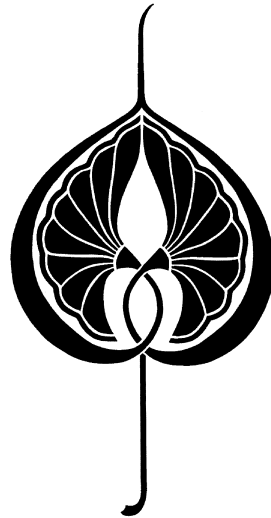


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Introductions

Rev. Dr. David Matsumoto, President

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Rev. Kiyonobu Kuwahara Officiating

Opening Remarks

Dr. Leroy Morishita, Chair, Board of Trustees

Remarks by the Dean

Dr. Scott Mitchell, Dean

Commencement Address

“The Ever-changing Story of Our Karmic Paths”

Rev. Candice Shibata

Conferral of Graduate Degrees and Certificates

Dr. Scott Mitchell

Closing Remarks and Words of Appreciation

Rev. Dr. David Matsumoto

Recessional

2022 Degree Graduates

Ellen Hamada Crane

Master of Arts in Buddhist Studies

Thesis: *A Brief Overview of Shin Buddhist Education in the West with a Focus on the History and Development of the Orange County Buddhist Church Buddhist Education Center: A Model of Success for Shin Buddhist Education and Propagation in the West*

Advisor: David Matsumoto

John Aaron Mullins

Master of Arts in Buddhist Studies

Thesis: *Building a Brand for the Pure Land: Rennyō and the Marketing of the Nembutsu*

Advisor: David Matsumoto

Cynthia Keiko Yasaki

Master of Arts in Buddhist Studies

Thesis: *Fazhao: The Chinese Master of Nianfo Practice and Rituals*

Advisor: David Matsumoto

Sakurako Iwagami

Master of Arts, Graduate Theological Union

Thesis: *How Japanese Buddhist Communities Attract People Who Are Spiritual But Not Religious*

Advisor: Scott Mitchell

Quang Dai Le

Master of Arts, Graduate Theological Union

Thesis: *Buddhism in Vietnam*

Advisor: Scott Mitchell

2022 Certificate Graduates

Certificate in Shin Buddhist Studies

Leo Joslin

Charlene Kihara

Barbara MacCarl

Vonn R. Magnin

Geoffrey Andrew Russell

2021 Graduates

CJ Sokugan Dunford

Master of Arts, Graduate Theological Union and
Certificate in Buddhist Chaplaincy

Thesis: *Radical Acceptance as a Shin Buddhist Theology of Liberation for LGBTQ+ Peoples*, passed with honors

Advisor: David Matsumoto

Harumichi Fukaya

Master of Arts, Graduate Theological Union and

Thesis: *Across the Sea: A Study of Tenrikyo's North American Mission before World War II*

Advisor: Scott Mitchell

Jennifer Akiko Rogers

Master of Divinity and Certificate in Shin Buddhist Studies

Thesis: *Amida's Vow for All Beings: An Analysis of the Historical Development of Universal Acceptance in Jōdo Shinshū Doctrine*

Advisor: David Matsumoto

Ungyo Lynn Sugiyama

Master of Arts in Buddhist Studies

Thesis: *The Wasan: Aspects for a Teaching Tool in Shin Buddhism*

Advisor: David Matsumoto

Todd Tadao Tsuchiya

Master of Divinity

Thesis: *Taiko as "Jishin Kyō Ninshin" in US Jodo Shinshu Buddhist Communities*

Advisor: David Matsumoto

Susan Bachman, Certificate in Theravada Buddhist Studies

Jeffrey Alan Haines, Certificate in Shin Buddhist Studies

2020 Graduates

Joseph Schuman

Master of Arts, Graduate Theological Union and
Certificate in Buddhist Chaplaincy

Thesis: *Arising, Ceasing: Hegemonic Masculinity, Complicated Grief, and Mindfulness Based Cognitive Therapy*

Advisor: Daijaku Kinst

Ryoze Wada

Master of Arts, Graduate Theological Union

Thesis: *Public and Private Aspects of Seikaku: Tendai Preacher and Pure Land Buddhist*

Advisor: David Matsumoto

Gabrielle Hailey, Certificate in Buddhist Studies

Ryuki Thomas Hawkins, Certificate in Sōtō Zen Buddhist Studies

Melissa Opel, Certificate in Shin Buddhist Studies

Special Recognition

Thomas Ross Calobrisi

Doctor of Philosophy, GTU

Dissertation: *Beyond Belief: How a French Text on Indian Buddhism Changed American Culture*

Advisor: Scott Mitchell

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