Welcome

Presentation of Awards

Algernon Sydney Sullivan Awards
Hawa A. Ahmed
Timothy C. Rumble
Nicole P. Exmo

Seven Society Awards
Louis A. Onesty Memorial Scholar-Athlete Award
Jordan E. Lavender
James Earle Sargeant Award
Sustained Dialogue
Class of 2015 Awards
Class Award for Community Service
Katherine E. Bailey
Class Award for Cultural Fluency
Ngle N. Han
Ripple Effect Award
Ashley M. Blackwell

Gordon F. Rainey, Jr. Award for Vigilance to the Student Experience
John L. Calley

Presentation of the Class Gift
Ben J. Colalillo and Emily Anne M. Self

Acceptance of the Class Gift
Teresa A. Sullivan

Presentation of Special Appreciation
Blake D. Griggs

Introduction of Keynote Speaker
Danielle C. Ager

2015 Valedictory Address
Ed Helms

Farewell Remarks
William W. Laverack

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VALEDICTORY EXERCISES

The Lawn
May 15, 2015
4:00 p.m.

University of Virginia
Ed Helms

Ed Helms is a man of many talents in many different mediums. As a student at Oberlin College in Ohio, Mr. Helms played in a bluegrass band, performed in a few plays, participated in an improv comedy group, and sang in an a cappella group.

After graduating from Oberlin in 1996 with a B.A. in Film Theory and Technology, he moved to New York City. He worked at a post-production house and performed some voiceover work on the side. The side jobs quickly developed into full-time work, and in 2002, Mr. Helms beat out 300 other hopefuls for the highly coveted role as a correspondent on The Daily Show with Jon Stewart. After nearly five years, he left the show to join NBC's hit comedy The Office, where he starred for seven years as Andy Bernard, a Cornell grad and a cappella singer.

In feature films, Mr. Helms starred in The Hangover trilogy. The first installment won the 2010 Golden Globe for Best Motion Picture-Comedy or Musical. Additional film credits include We're The Millers; The Lorax; Jeff, Who Lives At Home; and Cedar Rapids, for which he was also the executive producer.

One constant in Mr. Helms’ life and work has been music. He has brilliantly infused music into many of his performances, and he continues to play banjo in a bluegrass band, The Lonesome Trio, which formed at Oberlin College in the mid-1990s and has played together for more than 20 years. In 2010, Helms co-founded The L.A. Bluegrass Situation, a music festival in Los Angeles, and its sister website, TheBluegrassSituation.com, which provides news and resources for fans of American roots music and culture.

Beyond show business, Mr. Helms sits on the board of trustees at Oberlin College and on the advisory board for Education Through Music-Los Angeles, a non-profit that builds the music curriculum and funds music education in Los Angeles public schools. He has also worked closely with Malaria No More, an organization that fights to eradicate malaria worldwide.

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Julia E. Green (1993 - 2012)
Hunter N. Smith (1993 - 2014)

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