

COMMENCEMENT WINTER 2016



Phonetic Spelling Guide

In order that your name be read properly at the Commencement Ceremony, it is important that we know the correct pronunciation. Although the pronunciation of many names is obvious, some require special attention. If your name is one that is pronounced in a special way, please use the sounds like or phonetic spelling in the space provided underneath your name on your commencement name card. You will receive your name card when you check into the robing room at the Towson Center on the day of your ceremony.

Examples:

Using 'sounds like' format: Kim Lamagna sounds like "lasagna"

Using pronunciation key format: Leslie Costanzo cō stan zō

SOUNDS LIKE

A 'sounds like' is a familiar word that rhymes with your name

KEY TO PRONUNCIATION

Symbol	Key Words	Symbol	Key Words	Symbol	Key Words
ă	f <u>at</u> , p <u>ar</u> rot	ĩ	as in san <u>ity</u>	oo	l <u>oo</u> k, p <u>oo</u> ll
ā	<u>a</u> pe, <u>da</u> te, <u>pl</u> ay	ĩ	<u>i</u> s, <u>h</u> ĩt, m <u>i</u> rror	ou	<u>ou</u> t, <u>crow</u> d, p <u>low</u>
ă	<u>a</u> h, <u>car</u> , <u>f</u> ather	j	joy, agile, badge	u	as in focus
a	as in ago	o	as in comply	u	<u>u</u> p, <u>cu</u> t
ě	<u>e</u> lf, <u>ber</u> ry	ō	<u>o</u> pen, <u>tone</u> , <u>go</u>	ur	<u>ur</u> n, <u>fur</u> , <u>deter</u>
e	as in agent	ō	<u>a</u> ll, <u>l</u> aw	yōō	<u>u</u> se, <u>cu</u> te, <u>few</u>
ē	<u>e</u> ven, <u>me</u> et, m <u>o</u> ney	ōō	<u>oo</u> ze, <u>crew</u>	yoo	<u>u</u> nited, g <u>lob</u> ule
ī	<u>i</u> ce, <u>b</u> ite, <u>h</u> igh	oi	<u>oi</u> l, <u>to</u> y	zh	<u>a</u> zure, <u>leis</u> ure