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## Diplomas for Saint Mary's College grads

Two batches of Saint Mary's College students, class of 2017, received their diplomas on the Moraga campus during ceremonies held over Memorial Day weekend.



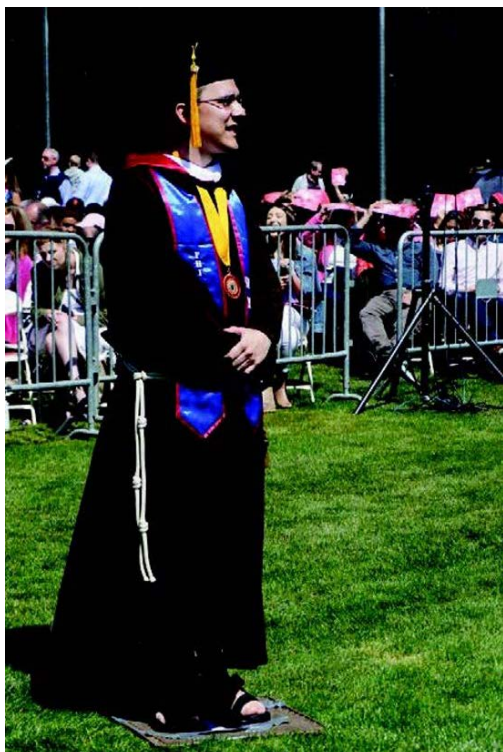
An estimated 680 Saint Mary's College undergrads were awarded diplomas May 27; the following day some 640 graduate students received their diplomas during graduate and professional studies commencement, also held on campus.

John Diaz, a San Francisco Chronicle editor, delivered the undergraduate commencement address. Diaz, in a lighthearted moment referring to last year's commencement speaker Mahershala Ali, expressed hope that he, too might win an Oscar after speaking before the SMC crowd.

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Saint Mary's College graduate (Richardson earned a master's degree in Leadership in 2013) addressed the graduate studies crowd Sunday. - Cathy Dausman

Human rights advocate Deborah Richardson, herself a



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