In 1896, spurred by his meeting with Count Leo Tolstoy, Rabbi Dr. Joseph Krauskopf purchased a 100-acre farm near Doylestown, Pennsylvania. He arranged for the construction of a small classroom building, employed a faculty of two, enrolled six students, and founded The National Farm School.

The National Farm School offered a three-year program which combined academics and work experience and continued as such through the end of World War II.

In 1945, its academic program was reorganized under the leadership of Dr. James Work, a 1913 graduate of the school and its future president. The school then became the National Farm School and Junior College. Further expansion was undertaken to acknowledge advances in the pure and applied sciences.

In 1948, the program grew to senior college caliber and was approved by the State Council of Education. The school’s name was changed to The National Agricultural College.

With the addition of Biology, Business Administration, Chemistry and Food Science, the name was changed to Delaware Valley College of Science and Agriculture in 1960, then abbreviated to Delaware Valley College in 1989.

The College has continued to enhance its program offerings with the addition of Master of Business Administration degrees in Food & Agribusiness, and in General Business, and a Master of Science degree in Educational Leadership.

Throughout the years, the mission of Delaware Valley College has remained consistent: to provide students with opportunities to reach their highest potential and to acquire, in an intellectually stimulating environment, a quality education in high-science agriculture, in the biological and physical sciences, in the liberal arts, and in business.

The College prepares students for meaningful personal and professional lives and leadership roles in service to the community, the state, the nation and the world by emphasizing scholarship with applied experience, good citizenship, appreciation of our cultural heritage and the importance and necessity of lifelong learning.
By the winding banks of Neshaminy,
    Stands our Alma Mater dear.
We look o’er your fields we love,
    Cherished year by year.
All hail your colors, Green and Gold,
    As they proudly wave on high.
Treasured mem’ries fond and true
    In our hearts will lie.

With your inspiration great,
    Ever forward we will go,
Fearless of the tasks ahead,
    Conquering each foe.
To you, our College, let us sing
Praises of your honored name.
    Courage, strength and unity,
    Build an endless fame.
**Commencement Exercises**

_Dorothy A. Prisco, Ed.D., Vice President for Academic Affairs and Dean of the Faculty, presiding._

**PROCESSIONAL**

“Pomp and Circumstance” — Sir Edward Elgar

Delaware Valley College Band

Please stand and remain standing for the National Anthem and Invocation.

The Class of 2008
The Class of 1958
The Faculty
The Platform Party

**POSTING THE COLORS**

Marine Aircraft Group - 49
Naval Joint Reserve Station, Willow Grove, PA

**NATIONAL ANTHEM**

“The Star Spangled Banner” — Francis Scott Key

Elizabeth Walker ’08

**INVOCATION**

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Professor of Liberal Arts, Delaware Valley College

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**COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS**

Joseph S. Brosnan, Ed.D.
President, Delaware Valley College
CONFERRING OF GRADUATE, BACCALAUREATE AND ASSOCIATE DEGREES

Please defer applause until all degrees are conferred.

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Delaware Valley College Band
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RECESSIONAL
“Academic Festival Overture” — Johannes Brahms
Delaware Valley College Band
Joseph S. Brosnan began his tenure as the 12th president of Delaware Valley College in August 2007. Dr. Brosnan came to DelVal after serving as Vice President for Strategic Planning and External Affairs at Teachers College, Columbia University, for 12 years. As a senior officer, Dr. Brosnan led a $155 million capital campaign, the largest amount raised by a school of education in the nation, and provided leadership in technology, finances, development, strategic planning and public affairs. He worked closely with two of Teachers’ presidents to build a strong and active Board of Trustees.

Dr. Brosnan has been deeply involved in development and external-relations activities at several institutions of higher education. He possesses tremendous leadership skills and an ability to bring diverse groups of people together around common goals. He has completed the New Presidents’ Institute and the Institute for Educational Management at Harvard University.

Prior to his time at Teachers College, Dr. Brosnan served as President of Belmont Abbey College in Belmont, NC, from 1990 to 1995, where he instituted a master of arts in Middle Grades Education; in its first year, this was recognized as one of the 12 best middle-grade teacher preparatory programs in the country. He was also a member of the psychology faculty. His research interests include the educational and vocational decision-making process of college students and the strategic decision-making process in higher education.

Dr. Brosnan’s career has spanned several decades and reached all aspects of higher education. He was Senior Vice President for University Relations at St. Bonaventure University, Olean, NY, Chief Advancement Officer and Executive Director of the Potsdam College Foundation for the State University of New York at Potsdam and Associate Dean of Students at Marist College in Poughkeepsie, NY.

Born in 1946, Dr. Brosnan now resides in Doylestown on the campus of Delaware Valley College. His daughter, Michelle, lives in Charlotte, NC, with her husband and family. His son, Stephen, lives with his wife and daughter in Toms River, NJ.

Dr. Brosnan earned his bachelor’s degree from Marist College in Poughkeepsie, NY, and his master’s and doctorate in counseling psychology from the State University of New York at Albany. Dr. Brosnan serves on the Board of Directors of the national “I Have a Dream” Foundation, empowering children from low-income communities to attain a college degree. He also serves on the board of New York-based Learning Matters Educational Group, a not-for-profit organization dedicated to using media and programming to encourage and enrich public dialogue about education, youth and families.
MASTER’S DEGREES

MASTER’S DEGREE IN
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Lindsey Druding
Debra A. Duna
Karen Vincent Holland
Linda L. Kelly
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Glenn William Michalak
Catherine Rose Stetto

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do not come forward to take photos and that you remain in your seats and enjoy the program.
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& CONSERVATION

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Brandi Ann Baker
Jessica Lee Baldwin
Daniel Joseph Belitskus, Summa Cum Laude
Laura Elizabeth Bickel
Alison Nicole Bilbee
Eric Anthony Bortz, Cum Laude
Zena Diana Bryant
Alayna Lynn Buccella
Jennifer Marie Bummer
Andrea Olga Cawley
Angela Samantha Cornacchia
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Maureen Catherine Ferguson
Pam Marie Ferguson
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Lindsay Alyson Rasmovich
Kelly Elizabeth Ries
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Jesse Neal Scheier
Jennifer Anne Scire, Cum Laude
Christopher John Scoufaras
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Katie Ann Sickles
Justine Siegfried, Summa Cum Laude
Bryan Edward Sincavage
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Dru Whitney Bennett
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Christina Arlene Carl
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Katharine Rena Kieser
Allison Lynn Kopf, Magna Cum Laude
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Kathleen Ann Milach
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The origin of the academic gown or “regalia,” goes back to the Middle Ages, when people dressed according to their social class. The clergy were the literate class, so academic dress followed that of the church. The long gown and full hood were originally necessary to fend off the chill of unheated halls. Today, however, the scholar’s gown is a symbol of academic distinction.

The standard for ceremonial academic dress in the United States was first set in 1865. Revised several times, the 1959 code is now nationally accepted. This code provides a method to determine from the design of the gown, the size of the hood and the colors on the hood exactly what degree was last earned, from which institution and in which field of study.

Gowns, except for rare instances, are black and vary as follows:

- The bachelor’s gown has full and draping pointed sleeves.
- The master’s gown is identified by sleeves which drape freely to the wrist. They are crescent shaped in the back and extend below the knee.
- The doctoral gown is distinguished by full, bell-shaped sleeves and velvet facing down the front. These panels and three velvet sleeve bars may be either black or in the color that represent the field of study in which the degree was earned.

Hoods, made of the same fabric as the gown, are always black. The hoods are lined with the official color(s) of the college or university that conferred the degree.

FOR EXAMPLE:
Blue & white  Columbia University
Maroon & orange Virginia Polytechnic Institute/Virginia Tech
Blue & gold  University of Delaware
Brown & white Lehigh University
Blue & white  Penn State University
Red & blue  University of Pennsylvania
Scarlet Rutgers University
Crimson Harvard University

The hoods are edged in velvet in varying widths. The official color of this edging identifies the subject to which the degree pertains.

FOR EXAMPLE:
Maize  Agriculture
Light blue  Education
White Arts, Letters, & Humanities
Gold yellow Science
Dark Blue Philosophy

Caps are the traditional mortarboard shape or the soft, square-topped style. All caps are black with a tassel either of black or in the color which represents the degree earned. Only the doctorate cap may have a gold-threaded tassel.

The mace originates from the 11th to the 16th century, and was a short wooden club called a masse used in hand-to-hand combat. Medieval monarchs were often protected by loyal officials who carried such clubs. The masse evolved into the mace, which became a royal ceremonial symbol. The mace, continuing today in its symbolic role, represents the sovereignty of the institution and is carried by the Dean of the College.
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