

The University of Pennsylvania diploma has been printed in Latin since its first graduating class in 1757. For over two hundred years, University of Pennsylvania diplomas have been printed in Latin. Below is the Latin text followed by the English translation.

VNIVERSITAS PENNSYLVANIENSIS

OMNIBVS HAS LITTERAS LECTVRIS SALVTEM DICIT

Cum academiis antiquus mos sit scientiis litterisque humanioribus ex cultos titulo iusto condecorare nos igitur auctoritate

Curatorum nobis commissa

NAME

ob studia a Professoribus approbata ad gradum

DEGREE

admisimus eique omnia iura honores privilegia ad hunc gradum pertinentia libenter concessimus. Cuius rei testimonio

nomina nostra die mensis DATE Anno Salutis YEAR et Vniversitatis conditae YEAR Philadelphiae subscripsimus

[HIC GRADVS CONLATVS EST CVM LAVDE/MAGNA CVM LAVDE/SVMMA CVM LAVDE]

SIGILLI CVSTOS

PRAESES

DECANVS

UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA

GREETINGS TO ALL WHO MAY READ THESE LETTERS

Whereas it is the ancient custom of academics to honor with a proper title those who are distinguished in sciences or arts,
therefore by authority of the Trustees committed to us, following approval of studies by the Faculty, we have admitted

NAME

to the degree of

DEGREE

and we have freely granted all rights, honors and privileges pertaining to this degree. In testimony of which we have appended
our names at Philadelphia on this DATE in the year of grace YEAR and in the YEAR of the University.

[This degree is conferred with Distinction/With Great Distinction/With Highest Distinction]

(Only undergraduate and law graduates may have honors distinctions)

Secretary

President

Dean