

The Class of 2014 Graduates

Morning Ceremony

The South Carolina Corps of Cadets, veterans and active duty military personnel made up the Class of 2014 graduated on May 10th ready and confident to be leaders of principle in a global workplace, as well as in the military. Graduates included 493 cadets, 13 active duty military, 5 veteran cadets and 8 veteran students; all received their diplomas during the morning SCCC commencement. Of those graduates, 148 received their Bachelor Degree of Business Administration.



Cadets pose for a picture before the graduation ceremony.

In addition to the presentation of diplomas, several awards and honorary degrees were presented during the commencement exercises to recognize students and others for outstanding leadership and academic achievement.

Deborah Lee James, secretary of the U.S. Air Force, delivered the commencement address. She is the 23rd Secretary of the Air Force and is responsible for the affairs of the Department of the Air Force, including the organizing, training, equipping and providing for the welfare of its more than 690,000 active duty, Guard, Reserve and civilian Airmen and their families. She also oversees the Air Force's annual budget of more than \$110 billion. James is the highest-ranking official in the USAF as the secretary's position is appointed by the President of the United States.

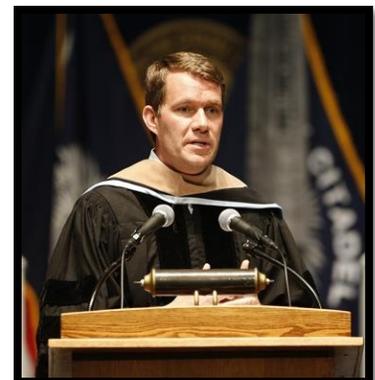


Deborah Lee James speaks to the audience during the SCCC commencement.

Afternoon Ceremony

Later in the day, graduates of The Citadel Graduate College received their diplomas. During the graduation ceremony awards were presented, 266 men and women received their graduate degree (73 their MBA) and 58 received their undergraduate degree.

The commencement speech was given by Timothy "Scott" Case. Case is a technologist, entrepreneur and inventor, and was founding CTO of Priceline.com, the internet travel service that reached \$1 billion in annual sales in less than 24 months. As chief technology officer, Case was responsible for building the



Timothy "Scott" Case delivers the commencement address during the CGC graduation ceremony.

technology that enabled Priceline's hyper-growth. Most recently, Case co-founded Main Street Genome, a startup focused on developing a software representation of the entire Main Street Economy.

The Citadel Graduate College began offering graduate degrees in education in 1968. Sixteen people were in the first graduating class in 1970. Today its offerings include 27 graduate degree programs, four evening undergraduate degree programs and nine graduate certificates. The graduate school has more than 8,000 alumni.

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Graduate students turn their tassels at the end of the commencement ceremony.