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◀ On a rainy Commencement day, soon-to-be graduates from the Class of 2009 make their way across the slippery Crim Dell bridge as part of their Walk Across Campus.

LOOK TO THE FUTURE

Entering the ranks of alumni, soon-to-be graduates were joining an exalted cohort. Just like a fake-news show host, an Oscar-worthy actress, and a host of Presidents and founding fathers, the Class of 2009 would have to use the skills and experiences they had accumulated over the past few years to make the most of the future that lay before them.

Here, they discovered their destinies, or at least made the next step. With opportunities to get a jump start in a depressed job market, new Tribe alumni made use of the College's connections. Here, they followed the tradition. Making the honored customs of the College their own, they continued the legacies of the second-oldest university in the nation. Here, they prepared to begin again. Moving into the "real world" was a daunting task for most, but with confidence befitting the best graduates in the nation, they looked to the future.