THE UNIVERSITY of NORTH CAROLINA at CHAPEL HILL

COMMENCEMENT E-NEWSLETTER SPRING 2017

Commencement News

Winter Commencement

More than 2,000 University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill students turned their tassels on December 18, 2016 at the annual Winter Commencement.

Paul Cuadros delivered the address, while Chancellor Carol Folt presided over the ceremony.

Congratulations to our newest graduates!!!

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Spring Commencement Countdown has begun!

Preparations are already underway for Spring Commencement 2017!! Please check the Commencement website as we update information on graduate instructions, maps and accessibility information.

The main ceremony is Sunday, May 14th at 9:00 AM in Kenan Stadium and we hope you can join us as we celebrate our graduates!

If you have any questions, call 919-962-2821 or email us at commencement@unc.edu.

Department Ceremony Dates

Department Ceremony dates have been set and can be found on the commencement website here.

We are excited to host so many friends and families across campus throughout Commencement weekend!

Stay Informed!

Follow UNC Events for Commencement updates

The University of North Carolina offers a complimentary early alert system for all Commencement attendees. The system is designed to inform you, via text message, if the main ceremony has been delayed or canceled due to weather or any unexpected circumstance. Registration is quick and easy! Sign up on our website at http://commencement.unc.edu

- You will NOT be inundated with messages. This service is designed to be used only in the case of urgent messages or weather updates.
- You will receive a verification code upon registering.
- Numbers will NOT be sold to third parties and will be purged following Commencement.
- This is **NOT** Alert Carolina.

We encourage you to sign up for this service, as well as follow us on Twitter and Instagram!

Upcoming Events & Deadlines

Apply to Graduate

All students must apply for graduation through their ConnectCarolina account. **February 17, 2017** is the deadline for all students to submit a degree application online for degrees to be awarded in May. For new applications after this date, students should contact their School or Academic Advisor. Visit the Registrar's website for a complete list of Important Graduation Dates.

ConGRADulations Fair

March 29th, 2017: The conGRADulations Fair will be on Wednesday, March 29th from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. in the Student Union Great Hall. The fair is designed to assist graduating students in receiving details and information about Commencement. Students will be able to purchase their cap and gown, have the opportunity to have their photo taken and representatives from different areas

will be available to answer questions about Commencement. Career Services will also be available.

Registrar's Office Spring 2017 Graduation Dates*

11/1/2016	**Spring Application Open** – Application for graduation open to eligible students for degrees to be awarded in May 2017
1/25/2017	**Deadline** for Undergraduate students to submit a degree application online for degrees to be awarded in May
2/17/2017	**Deadline** for graduate and professional students to submit a degree application online for degrees to be awarded in May
2/17/2017	**Deadline** for professional degree candidate name changes to reflect on May diplomas***
3/24/2017	**May Commencement Program Names** – Deadline for all degree candidate names and/or name changes to appear in the May Commencement Program
5/14/2017	Spring 2017 Commencement and Degree Award Date
5/14/2017	**Deadline** for May MA/MS/JD and all Undergraduate degree recipient name changes to reflect on May diplomas***
5/14/2017	**Diploma Address** – deadline for professional degree recipients to update the home address listed in ConnectCarolina for diploma mailing
6/5/2017	**Mailing begins** for all undistributed professional diplomas
6/16/2017	**Diplomas Address** – deadline for MA/MS/JD and all Undergraduate degree recipients to update the home address listed in ConnectCarolina for diploma mailing

Mid-July	**Mailing begin**s for MA/MS and all Undergraduate diplomas
Mid-August	**Mailing begins** for JD diplomas

* Questions on graduation can be emailed to records@unc.edu.

Travel and Accommodations

Make Plans Now!

We highly recommend making hotel reservations as early as possible. The Chapel Hill Vistor's Bureau can help you find the type of accommodation appropriate for your stay here.

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