Commencement News

ALL STUDENTS WILL BE ON THE FIELD!

For the first time since the late 1980’s, all students will experience Commencement from the field! We are excited to bring this tradition back!!

Instructions for Students

Undergraduates: Undergrads should report to the Loudermilk Lot no later than 8:30 a.m. You can access this lot through the Rams Head Deck tunnel off of Ridge Road. You will then be directed by Commencement staff to the Loudermilk tunnels to line up. Once the ceremony is complete, you will exit the field up through the Kenan stands. (You will not exit the field the same way you entered).

Masters/PhD Students: Should report to the Charlie Choo Choo Justice Statue located in front of the Kenan Football Center no later than 8:30 a.m. You will then be directed by Commencement staff to the processional. Once the ceremony is complete, you will exit the field up through the Kenan Stands. (You will not exit the field the same way you entered).

Commencement is getting Closer!

Please check the Commencement website as we have updated information on graduate instructions, maps and accessibility information.

The main ceremony is Sunday, May 8th 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.
- You will receive a verification code upon registering.
- Numbers will NOT be sold to third parties and will be purged following Commencement.
- On average, messages will arrive within five minutes of initiation. Speeds are dependent upon your individual phone carriers.
- 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

Don’t forget to order your regalia!

Online orders through Student Stores until April 20th. In-store sales will be April 25th-May 8th.

Registrar’s Office Spring 2016 Graduation Dates*

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Date</th>
<th>Event Description</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>5/8/2016</td>
<td>Deadline for May MA/MS/JD and all Undergraduate degree recipient name changes to reflect on May diplomas***</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>5/8/2016</td>
<td>May Diploma Address – deadline for professional degree recipients to update the home address listed in ConnectCarolina for diploma mailing</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>6/1/2016</td>
<td>Mailing begins for all undistributed professional diplomas</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

May Diplomas Address – deadline for MA/MS/JD and all
<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Date</th>
<th>Event</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>7/8/2016</td>
<td>Undergraduate degree recipients to update the home address listed in ConnectCarolina for diploma mailing</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>8/1/2016</td>
<td>Mailing begins for MA/MS and all Undergraduate diplomas</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>9/1/2016</td>
<td>Mailing begins for JD diplomas</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

* 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 Visitor’s Bureau can help you find the type of accommodation appropriate for your stay [here](http://commencement.unc.edu/).

**Contact Us**

**Stacey Warner**  
Ceremonies Officer  
919.962.2821  
staceywarner@unc.edu  

[http://commencement.unc.edu/](http://commencement.unc.edu/)  
Twitter: [@UNCEvents](https://twitter.com/UNCEvents)  
Instagram: uncevents