

PURDUE UNIVERSITY

West Lafayette, IN

SUMMER COMMENCEMENT 2017
Edward C. Elliott Hall of Music
Saturday, August 5, 2017, 9:30 a.m.



Purdue's traditional commencement exercises are designed to honor your significant academic achievements at the University and to demonstrate the pride Purdue feels in its graduates. No student is required to attend commencement, but it is hoped that all candidates for degrees will do so. If you choose to attend, it is expected that you will honor the spirit and dignity that are appropriate to this occasion. If you participate, it is imperative that you remain in alphabetical order within your degree group throughout the procession and ceremony so each participant may receive his or her personal recognition on stage.

Before Commencement Day:

- **Indicate commencement participation by July 24th.**

Students must mark their intent to walk in the ceremony using the participation link on the Graduation Tab. Those who miss this deadline may contact the Office of the Registrar for information regarding participation in a future ceremony at commencement@purdue.edu.

- **Order cap and gown by June 19th without \$50 late fee.**

All candidates who participate in the commencement exercise must wear the appropriate attire. Appropriate caps, gowns, and hoods may be rented from local bookstores using the Herff Jones website:

<http://colleges.herffjones.com/college/purdue>

Delivery cannot be guaranteed for orders placed after June 26th. *Please note that the University does not consider purchased 'souvenir' or 'keepsake' gowns appropriate for commencement.* Please refer to our website for details of your academic attire (including hood and tassel colors):

<http://www.purdue.edu/commencement/>

- **Order Guest Tickets by Monday, July 24th.**

Each candidate may request a maximum of six (6) free guest tickets for the summer exercise. All guests must have a ticket to attend commencement. To order tickets, specify the number of tickets being requested on the myPurdue portal in the Graduation Tab that becomes available on June 14th. General seating tickets will be distributed electronically through Ticketmaster. Once tickets are available, a notification will be sent to the candidates' Purdue e-mail address. This e-mail will be sent on or about Wednesday, August 2nd, and will include a link to print or forward the electronic general admission commencement tickets. Electronic tickets are generated with a unique identifier that is traceable back to the student who requested them. Any attempt to sell or make mass copies of electronic tickets will be considered a misuse of Purdue University property. This may result in the violation being reported to the Office of Student Rights and Responsibilities, which may include disciplinary action.

Candidates who do not participate in commencement are not eligible to obtain guest tickets. Diplomas will be mailed to the graduate's diploma and/or permanent address approximately four to six weeks after commencement. To ensure the correct mailing address of your diploma, please indicate your diploma address information on the Graduation Tab in your myPurdue under **Diploma Mailing Address**.

Before Commencement Day, continued:

- **Accessibility Needs.**

Candidates requiring accessibility assistance to participate in the commencement exercise should phone (765) 494-6157 or 494-8219, or e-mail commencement@purdue.edu as soon as possible to make appropriate arrangements.

Candidates with guests who require accessible seating should also phone (765) 494-6157, or 494-8219, or e-mail commencement@purdue.edu by July 31, 2017, to make appropriate arrangements. All guests requiring accessible seating must have a general admission ticket, supplied by the candidate, to enter the Elliott Hall of Music.

For hearing impaired, please call (765) 494-3933 to reserve a headset. Additional details can be found on our website.

Guests using wheelchairs/crutches, etc., who had proper special seating arrangements made by their candidate, may be admitted to the auditorium through the lower level exit doors on the north and south sides of Elliott Hall of Music beginning at 8 a.m. **Additional details can be found on our website under Commencement – Accessibility Needs.**

Please note: Physically restricted guests arriving within 30 minutes prior to the start of the ceremony should enter the Hovde Hall parking lot to access the north entrance of Elliott Hall of Music. Using this route will help avoid delay in entering the ceremony due to the candidate procession.

On Commencement Day:

- **Arriving at the Armory.**

Arrive at the Armory wearing your cap and gown by 8:00 a.m. ET in order to assemble in your alphabetical place within your degree group and to receive final instructions. You must remain in alphabetical order in the procession to receive personal recognition on stage during the ceremony. Undergraduate and Master's candidates will receive an orator card when they check in. Without this card, the candidates' names will not be announced as they walk across the stage. Undergraduate tassels should be worn on the right of the cap, and Graduate tassels should be worn on the left.

- **Guest Seating.**

The Hall of Music will open for guest seating 90 minutes prior to the ceremony. Each guest will need a ticket to be allowed to enter (including those who have special seating arrangements and children who will occupy their own seat).

Please note: Standard security measures will be in effect. [Please continue to refer to our Web site for the most current information.](#)

- **Late Candidate Arrivals.**

If you arrive after the procession has begun to leave the Armory, **do not join the moving procession. Go to Aisle 5 in the Hall of Music where an usher will seat you with the candidates of your school.**

- **Photographs.**

A professional photographer will take a picture of you receiving your diploma. You will receive a proof-copy of your photo at your home address unless you make a request not to receive the proof. Please use myPurdue to ensure your permanent address is correct. If you **do not** want to receive a proof, submit your request in writing to Candidate Coordinator, Office of the Registrar, 610 Purdue Mall, West Lafayette, IN 47907-2040, or e-mail commencement@purdue.edu. For additional information about photography, please visit our web site.

Additional information regarding commencement can be found on our Web site as noted below:

Commencement	Hood & Tassel
Accessibility Needs	Letter of Invitation
Candidate Status	Photos & DVDs
Commencement Attire	Seating & Parking
Commencement Day	Tickets

THE OFFICIAL WEB SITE OF COMMENCEMENT AT PURDUE UNIVERSITY IS:

<http://www.purdue.edu/commencement/>