

COMMENCEMENT INFORMATION FOR GRADUATE STUDENTS

Graduation Exercises 9:00 a.m., Monday, May 20, 2019

Thomas K. Hearn Jr., Plaza

GUESTS

- PARKING:** Parking information and maps can be found at <http://commencement.wfu.edu/graduation-exercises/parking/>. Note that **all** cars must have a **parking pass** to enter campus.
- SEATING:** Tickets are **required** for all guests at this ceremony and must be ordered by **May 1st**. Guests are seated on a first-come basis.
- SECURITY:** Check the website <http://www.wfu.edu/commencement/> for security updates and **note the new bag check policy**.
- SPECIAL NEEDS:** Information for guests with special needs can be found at <http://commencement.wfu.edu/graduation-exercises/special-needs/>

GRADUATES

- WHEN TO ASSEMBLE:** Arrive no later than 8:00 a.m.
- WHERE TO ASSEMBLE:** In parking lot B between Davis and Taylor residence halls. Assemble behind your degree sign. Placement cards are not needed.
- WHAT TO WEAR:** All participants will wear their caps, gowns and hoods and should not carry anything in their hands during the processional. Turn off your cell phone before you enter the plaza.
- PROCESSIONAL:** The marshals will direct your degree group to seats. Leave no vacant seats in the row. Remain standing until after the invocation.
- CONFERRING DEGREES:** The Ph.D. degrees will be conferred first. All doctoral students will be asked to stand and remain standing at their seat. The President will then confer the degree to this group. Master's degree groups will follow and be conferred in the same manner. Individual names will not be announced nor will our graduates walk across the stage.
- ABSENTEES:** Students who plan to graduate in absentia must notify the Graduate School Office immediately.
- TRANSMIGRATION:** Graduate School students will be dismissed.
- REGALIA & DIPLOMAS:** All students may keep their regalia. Diplomas will be mailed to the graduation address provided on your Statement of Intent to Graduate form. You can expect to receive it in approximately 4 – 6 weeks.

SEVERE WEATHER PLAN

If severe weather or rain is likely, be sure to visit <https://commencement.wfu.edu/> for instructions.