For Graduates and Guests…

What to Expect on Commencement Day

Parking Permits – Spring Quarter permits are valid through Commencement weekend.

Guest permits may be purchased before Commencement day at Parking Services in the Strathmore Building or at the Central Ticket Office (CTO). On the day of the ceremony, purchase permits at a Parking and Information Booth, or from a parking attendant at any parking structure.

Parking permit types:

- $12 per vehicle – a (standard) Commencement parking permit; and
- $6 per vehicle – a Disabled Placard Commencement parking permit for vehicles displaying a DMV-issued disabled person placard or plate.

Parking and directions

- Before Commencement day, please visit the Parking and Directions page – https://commencement.ucla.edu/directions/parking – for complete information.
- Accessible parking is available. For full details, visit the Disability Access at UCLA page – https://www.commencement.ucla.edu/disability-access/disability-access-at-ucla.

Student assembly on the Los Angeles Tennis Center (LATC) Tennis Courts begins at 1:00 p.m. (you must arrive by 1:30 p.m.), and 6:00 p.m. (you must arrive by 6:30 p.m.).

- Enter the LATC at Gate D at the top of Bruin Walk.
- Student tickets are required to enter the student assembly area, so remember yours!
- Caps and gowns are required. Please arrive properly attired.
- Graduates will be walking down very steep stairs when entering Pauley Pavilion. We ask that you wear shoes that will allow you to safely descend the stairs.

Guests’ arrival – Guests should plan on arriving 1–2 hours before the ceremony begins. The doors into Pauley Pavilion open at 1:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m., and seating is first-come, first-served. Guests requiring special assistance should let the door attendants know as they enter.

Length of ceremony – 2 hours

Ceremony decorum – Commencement is a celebratory and dignified occasion. All graduates are expected to demonstrate True Bruin values before, during and after the ceremony. At this event, graduates must abide by the UCLA Student Conduct Code. (Pending cases over the summer may impact closure of accounts and receipt of the diploma.)

Restrooms – Restrooms are available at the LATC on the upper and lower concourses. Restrooms are not available during the student processional. Staff at each graduation venue will be able to direct guests to the nearest restroom.

In accordance with the University’s nondiscrimination policies, All-Gender restrooms at UCLA are single stall facilities that seek to create an inclusive campus environment and enhance climate for transgender and gender variant people and many other populations. The standardized signage meets
California building code while challenging traditional binary notions of gender. Visit http://www.lgbt.ucla.edu/Trans-At-UCLA to view the Gender-Inclusive Restroom Map and find additional information. There is a Gender-Inclusive restroom inside Pauley Pavilion (Room 273A).

Security Precautions

Although UCLA does not anticipate any security problems during Commencement, we will monitor all events to protect the safety and security of our guests. Please observe the following restrictions for all Commencement activities on the UCLA Campus.

- No large bags, back packs, large purses.
- No firearms, knives, explosives or other weapons.
- No cans, coolers and other containers except in cases of medical need, as certified by a physician.
- No artificial noise makers, air horns or megaphones may be used.
- No large signs, flags, poles, banners, or laser pointers.
- No promotional items with commercial slogans or identification.
- Inspection of receptacles (bags) is required for venue entry.
- All Commencement venues have the authority to prohibit any other items deemed to be a security risk. Patrons will not be allowed to bring those items inside the event venues.
- These policies are subject to change without notice.

Pauley Pavilion policies

- Tickets are required for entry.
- No helium balloons, signs or noise makers.
- For graduates, no food or drinks are allowed on John Wooden Court.
- For guests, bottled water is allowed in the seats.
- Cameras –
  - Long lens still cameras are considered a handheld and are acceptable.
  - Cameras on tripods are not permitted.
  - Standing in the aisles to take photos is also not permitted.

Family meeting location – After the 2:00 ceremony, arrange to meet your family in Bruin Plaza after exiting Pauley Pavilion. You all will be able to avoid the crowds gathering for the 7:00 p.m. ceremony by meeting there.

Live streaming of both College Commencement ceremonies during the ceremony – www.commencement.ucla.edu
