CONGRATULATIONS!
The Cal State L.A. Commencement Ceremonies are just 3 weeks away. Are you ready?
Read carefully to make sure you are!

University Athletics Stadium
at the Billie Jean King Sports Complex

Friday, June 12, 2015
8:00 a.m.
College of Business and Economics

1:00 p.m.
Charter College of Education

5:30 p.m.
College of Engineering, Computer Science, and Technology

Saturday, June 13, 2015
8:00 a.m.
College of Health and Human Services (Undergraduate)

1:00 p.m.
College of Health and Human Services (Graduate)

4:30 p.m.
College of Natural and Social Sciences

Sunday, June 14, 2015
9:30 a.m.
College of Arts and Letters

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COLLEGE RECEPTION
Immediately after each college ceremony, the reception will be at Reeder Field (baseball field) for approximately an hour. There will be light refreshments and photo areas. This is where you can take photos, meet faculty, and connect with your friends and family.

ELIGIBILITY TO PARTICIPATE
All undergraduate and graduate students who received a degree from Cal State L.A. in Fall 2014 (December) and those who have submitted a graduation application during the filing periods listed in the quarterly Schedule of Classes for Winter, Spring, and Summer 2015 are welcome to participate.

Participation in commencement does not mean you have completed your degree. Your diploma will be mailed to you once your degree requirements have been verified by the university. If you have questions about your degree requirements, please contact your department or college.

TICKETS
Each candidate will receive 10 admission tickets to their college ceremony available through Friday, May 29, 2015. Starting Monday, June 1, tickets that are not picked up will be distributed on a first come, first served basis and to candidates who request additional tickets.

A valid photo ID (school or government issued) must be presented at the time of pick-up. Tickets cannot be mailed and/or picked-up by another person. Tickets are FREE. Children 8 years old and younger do not need a ticket.

Tickets can be picked up at:

- **College of Arts and Letters** | Music 229 | (323) 343-4001
- **College of Business and Economics** | Salazar Hall C256B, CBE Student Service Center | (323) 343-2800
- **Charter College of Education** | King Hall D2078, CCOE Student Services | (323) 343-4300
- **College of Engineering, Computer Science, and Technology** | E&T, A236 | (323) 343-4500
- **College of Health and Human Services** | Fine Arts Building, 130 | (323) 343-4600
- **College of Natural and Social Sciences** | Annenberg Science Complex, Wing B, B223 | (323) 343-2000

CAP AND GOWN
All candidates participating in commencement are expected to dress in proper regalia. Academic attire is sold at the University Bookstore. Bachelor’s degree candidates wear cap, gown and tassel. Master’s degree and doctoral degree candidates wear cap, gown (specific to master’s or doctoral), tassel, and hood (specific to their discipline). Please check the Commencement website for prices and bookstore hours or contact the University Bookstore at (323) 343-2500.

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COMMENCEMENT DETAILS
Participants in the commencement ceremonies must assemble and check-in at the designated area near the north bleachers at the University Athletics Stadium. At the check-in tables, graduating students must pick-up their pre-printed name cards, which they will present to the name readers and photographers. Check-in will start 1 ½ hours prior to the ceremony. The pre-printed name cards are only given to students who are eligible to participate.

Candidates must bring a valid photo ID (school or government issued) to check-in to get their pre-printed cards.

Signs for the various degree groups will be posted in the assembly area. All candidates will be grouped according to their major at the assembly area and will be escorted into the stadium to be seated with their group. Candidates who arrive after the ceremony begins must check-in and wait to be escorted to their seats.

ORDER OF EVENTS
Each college ceremony will begin with an academic procession. It will then be followed by program that includes the National Anthem, greetings from President William A. Covino, the dean of the college, and selected speakers.

After the program, doctoral degrees will be conferred first. Then, candidates for the master’s degrees are presented to President William A. Covino for degree conferral. Candidates will be escorted by section to the main stage where their names will be announced and they will be hooded by college faculty.

Candidates for bachelor’s degrees will be presented President William A. Covino for degree conferral. Candidates will be escorted by section to the main stage where their names will be announced and they will receive a diploma case.

Each ceremony will conclude with the University Hymn and the recessional. Commencement end times will vary based on the size of the college. Depending on the college, the ceremony can last between 2 – 2 ½ hours.

ACCESSIBILITY
If you may require additional accommodation during the commencement ceremonies, please contact the Office for Students with Disabilities at (323) 343-3140, or visit ADM 127 to speak with a counselor. A sign language interpreter will be on stage during Commencement and will be displayed on the jumbo screen throughout the ceremonies.

PHOTOGRAPHY
Ultimate Exposures, the official 2015 Cal State L.A. Commencement Ceremonies photographer, will be taking pictures of the candidates on stage. However, Cal State L.A. recognizes that many people will want to take their own pictures on this momentous occasion. Guests are welcome to bring cameras to all of the commencement activities, but please remain in your seat and be mindful not to disturb those around you.

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PARKING
Parking is free on campus during commencement. Candidates and guests will be directed predominantly to Structures B and A. Guests with a DMV disabled person parking placard or disabled person plates must display the placard/plates upon entering the campus. Officers will direct them to park in designated lots in close proximity to the ceremony. Persons needing special assistance are encouraged to arrive one hour before the commencement ceremony.

If you have a guest with physical limitations that does not own a disabled placard, please stop by the Parking and Transportation Service Center (Parking Lot 3) a couple of days before commencement to obtain a special permit for a designated lot (up to two permits per graduate).

IMPORTANT REMINDERS

- The commencement ceremonies are in June so it may be hot. Please take appropriate precautions to be comfortable and safe. Guests looking for alternative viewing sites on campus can go to the Wallis Annenberg Integrated Sciences Complex, Wing B132, where the ceremonies will be livestreamed indoors.

- Balloons will not be permitted inside the stadium. Please let your guests know before they arrive on campus.

- If your guests require assistance, please make sure arrangements are made on your own according to specific needs. Allow for additional time.

- Food and beverages will be on sale inside and outside the stadium.

- No smoking or alcoholic beverages allowed. Inebriated students will not be allowed to participate in the ceremony.

- Large purses and bags, balloons, and beach balls will not be allowed in the student seating area.

- Students must stay until the end of the ceremony.