

2026 CAL STATE LA COMMENCEMENT

MAY 18-20, 2026 SHRINE AUDITORIUM

CEREMONY #2 | May 18 | 1 p.m.

College of Arts and Letters (2)

Department of Art | Department of Communication Studies | Department of English |
Department of Liberal Studies | Department of Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies

College of Natural and Social Sciences (2)

Department of Biological Sciences | Department of Physics and Astronomy

CEREMONY PROGRAM

PROCESSIONAL

Pomp and Circumstance Marches Op. 39,
Composed by Sir Edward Elgar

NATIONAL ANTHEM

Performed by the Cal State LA Wind Ensemble
and Chamber Choir

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

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Interim Dean, College of Natural and Social Sciences

WELCOME

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UNIVERSITY HYMN

Performed by the Cal State LA Wind Ensemble
and Chamber Choir

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Performed by the Cal State LA All Star Alumni
Band

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NATIONAL ANTHEM

Oh, say can you see,
 By the dawn's early light,
 What so proudly we hailed,
 At the twilight's last gleaming?

Whose broad stripes and bright stars,
Through the perilous fight,
O'er the ramparts we watched,
Were so gallantly streaming.
And the rocket's red glare,
The bombs bursting in air,
Gave proof through the night,
That our flag was still there.
Oh say does that star spangled banner yet wave,
O'er the land of the free, and the home of the brave.

UNIVERSITY HYMN

All hail to thee, our alma mater dear!
We sing with faith and pride thy praises far and near.
We dedicate our lives to truth and peace and right,
To give the world the torch of freedom's light.
Hail, All Hail!

– Marian Crowell Bessette, '49