



University of Redlands

C O M M E N C E M E N T G U I D E

April 21-23, 2016



Message from President Ralph W. Kuncel

Dear Class of 2016:

Congratulations on your achievement!

Together with the Board of Trustees, the faculty, and the entire University community, I look forward to honoring your academic accomplishments during commencement week, April 21, 22, and 23, 2016.

Understand, though, that commencement marks the beginning not the ending. Commencement is the culminating celebration of your years of effort at Redlands. Yet it is more than a singular moment. It is a centuries-old tradition that signifies a graduate's readiness for a new beginning. The Latin motto, *Sapere Aude*, adopted as a pithy summation of the 17th century Age of Enlightenment, communicates this idea well. With this phrase—which translates as “Dare to know”—the poet Horace lifted up the idea that all knowledge and wisdom requires human effort, saying, “He who is begun is half done. Dare to know!” These years have challenged you in a multitude of ways to better know yourself, our culture, and our world. By attaining this degree you have made a contemporary and public claim on this dare to know. Commencement is only the beginning of your journey to wisdom.

Commencement itself is an inspiring pageant and a special day you will long remember. On April 23, you will take part in the 107th commencement ceremony of the University of Redlands, joining your peers and future alumni in the outdoor beauty of the historic Alumni Greek Theatre.

The following contains important information about commencement weekend. I look forward to sharing this momentous day with you and your families.

With anticipation,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Ralph W. Kuncel", followed by a long horizontal flourish.

Ralph W. Kuncel
President



College of Arts & Sciences Commencement 2016

Schedule of Events – Quick Reference

Tuesday, February 9–10, 2016

Graduation Fair	12 p.m. – 6 p.m. <i>University Bookstore</i>
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Thursday, April 21, 2016

Lavender Recognition Ceremony	3 p.m. <i>Casa Loma Room</i>
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Friday, April 22, 2016

Senior Honors Convocation	9:30 a.m. <i>Memorial Chapel</i>
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Medallion Ceremony for Legacy Graduates	2:30 p.m. <i>Alumni House West Lawn</i>
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Baccalaureate	5 p.m. <i>Memorial Chapel</i>
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Senior Dinner	6 p.m. <i>Gallery Lawn</i>
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Passover Service	7:30 p.m. <i>University Club</i>
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Student of Color Recognition Ceremony	8:30 p.m. <i>Memorial Chapel</i>
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Saturday, April 23, 2016

Commencement Ceremony	9 a.m. <i>Alumni Greek Theatre</i>
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Johnston Commencement	1 p.m. <i>Bekins Lawn</i>
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Schedule of Events – Details

Please note: For the comfort of all our guests, no smoking or pets are allowed at any event, whether indoors or outside.

Thursday, April 21, 2016

Lavender Recognition Ceremony

3 p.m., Casa Loma Room

Please join us as we celebrate the accomplishments of our graduating LGBTQA seniors at the annual Lavender Recognition Ceremony.

Friday, April 22, 2016

Senior Honors Convocation

9:30 a.m., Memorial Chapel

The Senior Honors Convocation recognizes students, faculty, staff and administrators who have risen to the top in their areas of specialty. Join us to recognize achievements from scholar-athletes and student leaders to outstanding faculty and administrators, the “best of the best” in our University community.

Medallion Ceremony for Legacy Graduates

2:30 p.m., Alumni House West Lawn

This ceremony, for graduates with a parent, grandparent, sibling or spouse who is a University of Redlands alumna/alumnus, honors family connections to Redlands. Graduates will receive a special Legacy Medallion to wear at Baccalaureate and Commencement. Reservations are required by going online to www.redlands.edu/legacyceremony or calling 909-748-8011; a separate invitation will also be sent.

Baccalaureate

5 p.m., Memorial Chapel

An ecumenical ceremony of worship in celebration of and thanksgiving for lives dedicated to learning and wisdom. School of Business, School of Education and College of Arts and Sciences graduates participate in Baccalaureate. The procession for graduates begins at the Hall of Letters, proceeds across Colton Avenue and down the sidewalks of the Quad to the Memorial Chapel. Graduates must report to the Hall of Letters North Lawn no later than 4:30 p.m. Cap and gown are required for participation. Hoods are not worn by master’s candidates at this event. Family and friends should go directly to the Chapel. **Seating is limited**, so guests are advised to be seated early.

Senior Dinner

6 p.m., Gallery Lawn, \$35 per person, graduate is free and requires registration.

This is an opportunity for the graduates to gather and celebrate their accomplishments with family, friends and classmates. Seating is limited. **Reservations are required** by returning the form on page 11, going online to www.redlands.edu/seniordinner or calling 909-748-8011. Reservation deadline is Thursday, April 14, 2016.

Passover Seder

7:30 p.m., University Club

The Passover Seder is an opportunity for graduates who identify as Jewish and their families and friends to gather to celebrate the first night of Passover. Participants will join together in a Passover service to recount the story of Exodus, partake in the blessings and ritual foods, and enjoy each other’s company. Please reserve your place by going online to www.redlands.edu/passoverseder or calling the Office of Alumni & Community Relations at 909-748-8011.

Student of Color Recognition Ceremony

8:30 p.m., Memorial Chapel

The Student of Color Recognition Ceremony provides the opportunity for graduates of color to celebrate in a more intimate setting. Culturally specific stoles are presented to each graduate, typically by members of their immediate families who also have the opportunity to say a few words about their graduate.

Saturday, April 23, 2016

TICKETS ARE NOT REQUIRED FOR ANY OF SATURDAY'S EVENTS

College of Arts and Sciences Commencement Ceremony

9 a.m., Alumni Greek Theatre

The Alumni Greek Theatre is an open-air amphitheater. **Due to capacity issues, graduates are asked to limit the attendance of family and friends in the theatre to six people and direct others to the live streaming locations.** This historic outdoor venue has very limited handicapped accessibility and no shade. It may pose challenges to guests who have difficulty walking or negotiating uneven steps. Limited ADA-accessible seating is available at the back of the theatre for disabled guests and one companion. Guests with special needs should plan to arrive early to ensure adequate seating as space is on a first-come, first-served basis. Seating cannot be reserved, and early arrival is recommended.

Live Streaming of Commencement Ceremony

The Commencement Ceremony will be live-streamed on the University of Redlands website at www.redlands.edu/commencement. You can also watch the live stream on campus in the Orton Center, which is air conditioned and is accessible for people with disabilities. A recording of the ceremony will be available at www.redlands.edu/commencement for one week after commencement.

Video Souvenir Orders

Enjoy a close, unobstructed view of your Commencement, including the reading of all degree candidate names as diplomas are presented. A polished version of the live video is yours to cherish for years to come on DVD or digital download. DVDs and discs arrive in attractive University of Redlands clamshell cases, and you can also customize the case by adding a photo of your choice at no extra charge. A percentage of the proceeds from every sale goes back to the University of Redlands. To pre-order video souvenirs, visit university-of-redlands.incredevent.com.

Johnston Commencement

1 p.m., Bekins Lawn

Johnston graduates may elect to walk in the 9 a.m. Commencement Ceremony as well as at the Johnston-specific Commencement. Please consult with your student about his/her plans. If you have further questions about the Johnston Commencement, please contact Teresa Area at 909-748-8339 or teresa_area@redlands.edu.

Additional Information

Cap and Gown and Graduation Announcements

Flyers with details on ordering your cap and gown, personalized graduation announcements and other commencement merchandise will be sent to each graduate's Redlands email and preferred home address. Or, go directly to www.cbgrad.com. **Two weeks are required to receive personalized invitations, please plan your request accordingly.**

Please contact the University Bookstore at 909-748-8950 with any questions.

Class Rings

Class rings will be displayed in the Bookstore. You can also view the rings online at www.balfour.com.

Dress for Commencement

The Commencement Ceremony will take place outside at the Alumni Greek Theatre. Commencement day is usually warm, and there is little shade in the Theatre. Comfortable, low-heeled shoes are recommended as there is a considerable distance (some unpaved) between event locations, and the Theatre has limited handrails and unevenly spaced steps.

Grad Images Professional Photographer

A professional photographer will be at the Commencement Ceremony. Each student will receive proofs and order forms by email directly from Grad Images within 72 hours after the ceremony. You may place orders or obtain answers to questions at www.gradimages.com or by calling 800-261-2576. A percentage of the proceeds will be returned to the University of Redlands.

Commencement Flowers

Your family and friends can commemorate this special occasion with a bouquet of flowers or a lei available for pre-order or day-of purchase at the Graduation Day Flowers booth. A percentage of the proceeds will be returned to the University of Redlands. Parents and guests are encouraged to pre-order and pick-up prior to the ceremony to ensure that students can wear their leis across the stage for their photos. Pre-ordering is available at www.redlands.edu/commencement.

University Bookstore

The Bookstore will be open from 7:30 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Commencement day. For your convenience, water, soda and snacks will be available for purchase near the entrance to the Alumni Greek Theatre provided by the University's Town & Gown organization.

Lost and Found

Items should be claimed from or turned in to the Public Safety office in the Willis Center.

Accommodations

We recommend booking early as hotel and dining reservations in Redlands book up quickly for Commencement weekend. Visit www.redlands.edu/dining for more information on restaurants and www.redlands.edu/accommodations for more information on hotels.

Parking *See map at the end of this guide*

Parking for the Commencement ceremony is available on the north side of campus. Colton Avenue, the street through the center of the campus, will be closed to through traffic all day. Follow the directional signs to Brockton Avenue and the designated parking areas behind Memorial Chapel, Armacost Library, Orton Center or the Stauffer Science Complex off of Grove Street. Shuttle buses will be available from these lots to the Alumni Greek Theatre.

Disabled Parking

Disabled guests are encouraged to park in any of the lots serviced by the Commencement shuttles. Please refer to the map at the end of this guide and follow directional signs on the day of Commencement. Accessible shuttles are equipped with lifts and will service all parking lots indicated to transport guests to a drop-off location near the Alumni Greek Theatre.

If you or your guest requires specialized assistance beyond what is outlined, please call the University's Facilities Management department at 909-748-8020 by April 8, and we will work with you to meet your needs.

Please refer family and friends to www.redlands.edu/parking for more information and directions to campus and the Alumni Greek Theatre.

For Your Planning and Safety

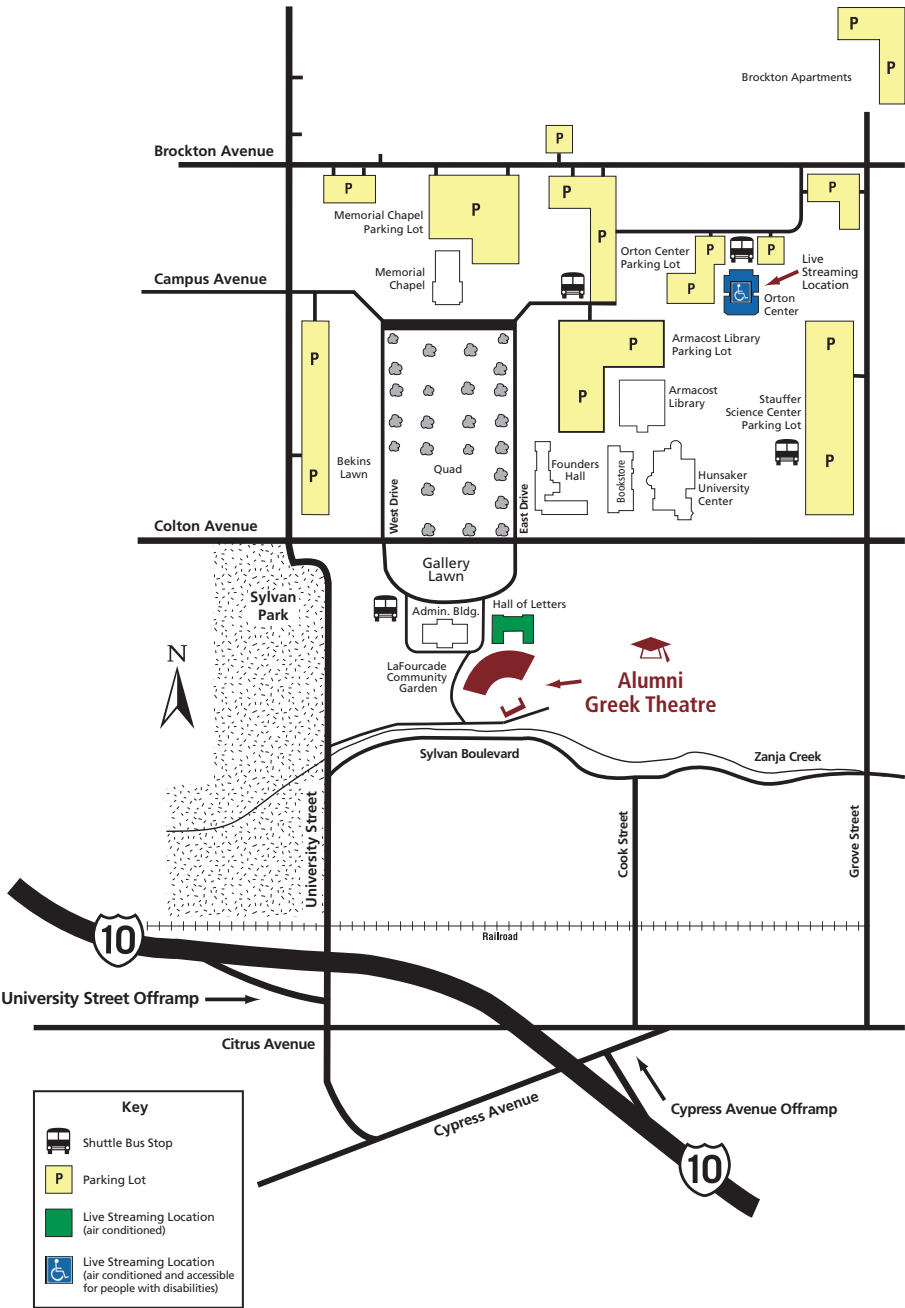
Please follow these tips to ensure that Commencement day is enjoyable for your graduate and your family:

- Due to capacity issues, graduates are asked to limit the attendance of family and friends in the Alumni Greek Theatre for the Commencement Ceremony to six people and direct others to the live streaming location at the Orton Center.
- All events during Commencement weekend, both indoors and outdoors, are non-smoking events.
- Dress appropriately for the day. Most often, it is warm and sunny and little shade is provided in the Alumni Greek Theatre. Comfortable clothes and walking shoes are strongly recommended.
- The stairs in the Alumni Greek Theatre are steep with limited handrails, high-heeled shoes are discouraged.
- Strollers are not permitted in the Alumni Greek Theatre. Stroller parking is available at the back of the theatre.
- No pets are allowed in the Alumni Greek Theatre.
- Umbrellas are not permitted in the Alumni Greek Theatre because they inhibit the sightlines of surrounding guests. In the event of rain, check the University of Redlands website.
- Limited disabled seating is available at the back of the Alumni Greek Theatre for guests with special needs; one companion may accompany him or her. This may mean that families will need to separate.
- No inflatables or large signs are allowed in the Alumni Greek Theatre or the grounds surrounding the theatre.
- Aisles and entryways surrounding the Alumni Greek Theatre may not be blocked for any reason.

Questions

Send an email to alumni@redlands.edu or call the Office of Alumni & Community Relations at 909-748-8011.

Parking Map



College of Arts & Sciences Commencement 2016

Dinner Reservation Form

Friday, April 22
6 p.m., Gallery Lawn

RESERVATION DEADLINE: THURSDAY, April 14



Ways to register:

- Go online to www.redlands.edu/seniordinner (all credit cards accepted)
- Call the Office of Alumni & Community Relations at 909-748-8011
- Mail this form with check (payable to University of Redlands) or credit card information to:

University of Redlands
Office of Alumni & Community Relations
1200 E. Colton Ave
P.O. Box 3080
Redlands, CA 92373-0999

____ \$35 per person, total number of attendees, including graduate (free)

Please indicate special requests below (including vegetarian meals):

Graduating senior's name(s): _____

If paying by credit card, please fill out the portion below:

Billing information:

Full name on card: _____

Email: _____

Billing phone: _____

Billing address: _____

City: _____

State: _____

Zip: _____

Total amount to be charged: _____

Credit card number: _____ Exp. date: _____



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