



University of Redlands

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School of Education

April 20–22, 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 20, 21, and 22, 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,

Ralph W. Kuncel
President





School of Education Commencement 2016

Schedule of Events – Quick Reference

Tuesday, February 23, 2016		
Pre-Commencement Mixer	4 p.m. – 6 p.m.	<i>Casa Loma</i>
Wednesday, April 20, 2016		
Commencement Dinner	5:30 p.m.	<i>Orton Center</i>
Thursday, April 21, 2016		
Commencement Ceremony	5 p.m.	<i>Alumni Greek Theatre</i>
Friday, April 22, 2016		
Medallion Ceremony for Legacy Graduates	2:30 p.m.	<i>Alumni House West Lawn</i>
Baccalaureate	5 p.m.	<i>Memorial Chapel</i>
Passover Service	7:30 p.m.	<i>University Club</i>

Event Details

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

Tuesday, February 23, 2016

Pre-Commencement Mixer

4 p.m. – 6 p.m., Casa Loma

This is a great opportunity for students to learn about the upcoming Commencement activities, take a picture with classmates, ask questions about regalia, degree sign off, credentialing, and much more.

Meet educators, counselors, staff and administrators from P-12 schools, community colleges, and universities and learn tips on how to best prepare yourself for the transition to a new career. RSVP at www.redlands.edu/secommencement.

Wednesday, April 20, 2016

Commencement Dinner

5:30 p.m., Orton Center, \$20 per person

School of Education students, faculty, and guests are invited. As part of the evening's activities, you will have an opportunity to share memories and thoughts about your experiences at Redlands during an open microphone session. **Reservations and payment are required in advance. Groups are limited to a maximum of eight.**

Reservations can be made online at www.redlands.edu/secommencement.

Reservation deadline is Friday, April 1.

Thursday, April 21, 2016

School of Education Commencement Ceremony

5 p.m., Alumni Greek Theatre

The procession begins promptly at 5:00 p.m., and the ceremony lasts approximately two hours. The Alumni Greek Theatre is an open-air amphitheater. 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. No strollers are allowed in the Alumni Greek Theatre.

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.

Friday, April 22, 2016

Medallion Ceremony for Legacy Graduates

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

This ceremony, for graduates with a parent, grandparent, sibling or spouse, son or daughter who is a Redlands alumna/alumnus, honors family connections to the University of Redlands. Graduates will receive a special Legacy Medallion to wear at Baccalaureate and Commencement. Reservations are required; a separate invitation will be sent for this event with reservation information. School of Education students not attending the Legacy Reception may pick up their medallion prior to Commencement by contacting the Office of Alumni and Community Relations at 909-748-8011.

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 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. Family and friends should go directly to the Chapel. Seating is limited, so guests are advised to be seated early.

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.

Additional Information

Cap and Gown and Graduation Announcements

Caps, gowns, announcements, and accessories may be purchased online with Balfour Graduation Company at www.cbgrad.com or toll-free at 800-433-0296. 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.

Name Placement Cards

The card shows your name, degree, and the numerical order in which you will process. The card is handed to a reader who will announce your name as you start across the stage. Cards must be picked up between 4 p.m. and 4:30 p.m. in front of the Administration Building. You must pick up your own card prior to the processional lineup.

Lineup

Participants should assemble in front of the Administration Building at 4 p.m. Please be prompt! Please tell your family and friends that you do not march in the order listed on the program. You will march by program. The Commencement program will be on the student chairs in the Alumni Greek Theatre.

Master's Students' Hooding

Hooding takes place during the Commencement Ceremony. Students carry the hood over their left arm as they walk. Once on stage, the department chairperson will take the hood and place it over the head and around the shoulders as an honorary symbol of completion of the master's degree.

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

Bouquets and leis will be sold on-campus during Commencement at the Commencement Flowers booth located just outside the Alumni Greek Theatre. Families are highly encouraged to pre-order so that students are photographed wearing their leis when crossing the Commencement stage. A percentage of the proceeds will be returned to the University of Redlands. Flowers and leis may be pre-ordered by visiting www.redlands.edu/commencement.

University Bookstore

The Bookstore will be open from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Commencement day.

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. 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.

Disabled Parking

Disabled parking is located in the parking area behind Truesdail Speech Center. Only vehicles with a valid handicapped parking placard will be admitted to this lot. For those in need of assistance, the University will provide transportation for the disabled and one companion to a reserved seating area at the top of the Alumni Greek Theatre. Due to limited seating, only one companion seat can be accommodated per person with special needs.

Parking and transport services for disabled guests are for persons who are able to **stand and transfer to and from the seat in a small cart** (with or without assistance from a family member). 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 attempt to meet your needs.

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

