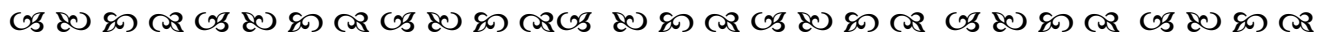


Spring Commencement Events 2012



SATURDAY, APRIL 28

6:00-7:30 P.M. **President's Cocktail Reception for 2012 Graduates**, President's House, 3115 Rivermont Avenue. Dress: Cocktail attire for women, jacket and tie for men. Parking available at First Christian Church next door to the President's House.

FRIDAY, MAY 11

3:00-4:30 P.M. **Final Friday**. All graduates are **required** to attend this event in order to complete a quick questionnaire about future plans and to pick up caps, hoods, tassels, and Rain Tickets. Refreshments provided.

SATURDAY, MAY 12

- 9:30 A.M. **Hooding Ceremony** for Master's Graduates. Alice Ashley Jack Room, Smith Hall.
- 11:00 A.M. **Baccalaureate**. All Graduates and their guests are invited. Houston Memorial Chapel.
- 12:00 -1:30 P.M. Buffet lunch will be available for purchase in Cheatham Dining Hall; no reservations required.
- 1:30 P.M. **Phi Beta Kappa** initiation ceremony and reception for initiates and their guests. Alice Ashley Jack Room, Smith Hall.
- 3:15 P.M. Seniors meet at the steps of Martin Science Building to prepare for Daisy Chain.
- 3:30 P.M. **Daisy Chain**. Steps of Martin Science Building. Rain site is Smith Hall Theatre.
- 4:00-6:00 P.M. **Garden Party**. Front Campus at the Sundial. Dress: Cocktail attire for women, jacket and tie for men. Rain site is Smith Banquet Hall.

Please note: The dining hall will not be serving an evening meal on Saturday.

SUNDAY, MAY 13

- 7:30-8:30 A.M. Buffet breakfast will be available for purchase in Cheatham Dining Hall; no reservations required.
- 8:15 A.M. **Commencement Rehearsal**. Graduates and seniors' squires meet at the Pines House. Rain Site is Smith Banquet Hall.
- 9:30 A.M. Commencement Procession forms at the Pines House. Rain Site is Smith Banquet Hall.
- 10:00 A.M. **Commencement begins**. The Dell. Rain site is Smith Hall Theatre.
- 12:00 P.M. A buffet lunch will be available for purchase in Cheatham Dining at the door.
- 6:00 P.M. Residence halls close for the summer. (No exceptions.)

General Information

Parking information. The city police will enforce parking regulations on the streets surrounding the College throughout the weekend, so guests are reminded to observe all parking signs. Parking areas on campus will be marked, and security officers will be available to provide directions. For the Commencement ceremony, a van shuttle will run constantly from the various parking areas on campus to the Bell parking lot, the area adjacent to The Dell. The Dell is steep, and everyone is advised to wear comfortable and appropriate shoes.

Assistance for those with disabilities. For the Commencement ceremony, vans for those who cannot walk down into The Dell will leave from the Main Hall front porch between 7:45 A.M. and 9:45 A.M. The van will also pick up passengers at the far north end of the Bell Parking Lot. Special seating will be provided for those unable to walk down to The Dell. Guests with disabilities may also choose to watch the ceremony from the Pines House located at the top of The Dell. Advance registration is **not** required to ride the shuttle or to sit in the special seating area.

Commencement Rain Tickets. In the event of rain: Each graduate will be issued tickets for four guests in the event that Commencement must be held in Smith Hall Theatre. (The graduates and seniors' squires do not need tickets.) Tickets will ensure admittance to the actual Commencement ceremony. There will also be seating in Smith Banquet Hall just below the theatre, where additional guests may watch Commencement on monitors. Graduates will receive their rain tickets at Final Friday.

Cameras and video equipment. Use of cameras and video equipment during Commencement is permitted in the designated areas.

Pagers and Cell Phones. During the Commencement ceremony, all pagers & cell phones must be turned off.

****Professional photographers** will be taking a photo of each graduate receiving a diploma.

Commencement video. Order forms for the Commencement video will be available in an envelope on the Commencement bulletin boards in the Main Hall lobby for those who would like to purchase a video but did not place an order in advance.

It is important for graduates to *BE ON TIME* for Daisy Chain and Commencement rehearsal and lineup. Instructions for graduates and seniors' squires will be posted on the Commencement bulletin board in the Main Hall lobby.

Office Hours

Dean of Students
Saturday, MAY 12th
9:00 A.M.-5:00 P.M.
Sunday, May 13th
1:00 P.M. - 6:00 P.M.

Campus Store Hours
Friday, May 11th
8:00 A.M.-5:00 P.M.
Saturday, May 12th
9:00 A.M.-3:00 P.M.
Sunday, May 13th
12 P.M.-4:00 P.M.

Maier Museum of Art Hours
Friday, May 11th
& Saturday, May 12th
1:00 P.M.-5:00 P.M.
