



SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY

OFFICE OF SPECIAL EVENTS

Syracuse University's 163rd Commencement will take place at the Carrier Dome on Sunday, May 14, 2017 at 9:30 a.m. The ceremony will begin with student and academic processions, followed by keynote speakers and the ceremonial conferring of degrees. The ceremony will conclude by noon. Diplomas are mailed to students after the certification process. Kent Syverud, the 12th Chancellor of Syracuse University, will confer approximately 5,100 degrees at the associate, bachelor, master and doctoral levels as well as 200 juris doctor and nine master of law degrees. Vice Chancellor and Provost Michele G. Wheatly will preside over the ceremony during which Syracuse University scholars (the highest academic award given to undergraduate students) will be named and retiring faculty members who have been recommended to receive the title of Emeritus will be acknowledged. Bachelor's and master's degree candidates who complete their coursework by August 2017 and file their Diploma Request are invited to participate in the May 2017 Commencement. Degree candidates who have completed their requirements in December 2016 are also invited to participate. Doctoral candidates will be invited to participate by the Graduate School and must have earned their degrees by April 24, 2017. Parents, relatives and friends of graduates are invited to attend Commencement. There is ample seating for all guests. Tickets are not necessary for Commencement. Entry to the Carrier Dome for Commencement will begin at 7am. Residence halls are available for families and guests for two-night stays during Commencement Weekend. Reservations must be made through the reservation system on the Commencement website beginning March 1, 2017. You may also contact the Syracuse Convention and Visitors Bureau to find local accommodations.

Convocations

On Friday, May 12 and Saturday, May 13, 2017, Syracuse University's schools and colleges will hold celebratory Convocations to individually recognize degree candidates and to present special awards. Parents, relatives and friends of graduates are invited to attend Convocations. Tickets are not needed to attend. Convocations are followed by receptions, where students and families have the opportunity to mingle with faculty. Questions regarding Convocation seating, attire or rehearsals should be referred to the school or college of the students' major. For more information regarding Commencement, please visit: commencement.syr.edu

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