Dear 2018 Graduates and Families:

We share in your sense of excitement as we approach commencement festivities in June. We are working together to make commencement a splendid occasion and a joyful and proud celebration of your years at the College.

This booklet contains an overview of the weekend schedule and related information. Please review it carefully, and monitor Dartmouth’s commencement website for additional information and updates. dartgo.org/commencement

The entire campus community looks forward to sharing this wonderful time with you. See you soon!

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General Questions and Information

Commencement website: dartgo.org/commencement
Geisel School of Medicine: dartgo.org/GeiselClassDay
Guarini School of Graduate and Advanced Studies: dartgo.org/GuariniInvestiture
Thayer School of Engineering: dartgo.org/ThayerInvestiture
Tuck School of Business: dartgo.org/TuckInvestiture

Email: commencement@dartmouth.edu • Phone: (603) 646-2923
During commencement weekend, call (603) 646-8181 for a recorded message with updated information on venue changes, delays, or cancellations.
Announcements
Graduation announcements may be purchased at the Dartmouth Co-op. dartgo.org/announcements

Academic Regalia (Caps and Gowns)
Students must pick up pre-ordered regalia in the Hopkins Center, Hop Garage, Thursday, June 7 through Saturday, June 9 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. There will be limited regalia available during that time for $26 cash purchase only.

Undergraduate caps and gowns are worn with appropriate attire during the commencement ceremony on Sunday. They are not worn on class day.

Graduate and professional school students order regalia through their schools and will be notified separately. Regalia is worn for both investiture and commencement ceremonies.

Accommodations
Guests are invited to stay in College residence halls. As undergraduate residences, they do not offer the amenities found in a hotel, but their convenience to on-campus events makes them a popular housing option.

Residence hall rooms are available for occupancy from 2 p.m. on Friday, June 8 until 2 p.m. on Sunday, June 10. The College is not able to accommodate any guests on Sunday night.

Students who are graduating may retain their own rooms until noon on Monday, June 11. Early graduates who are returning for commencement and their spouses or partners are guests of the College in residence halls for that weekend, but they must have returned an application.

The Commencement and Reunion Housing Office is located in the main lounge of Mid-Massachusetts Hall. The office is staffed 24 hours a day beginning Friday, June 8 to assist guests with questions, accommodate late arrivals, and handle any emergencies that may arise. Commencement staff will also be stationed in each of the residence halls from 8 a.m. to midnight during commencement weekend to assist guests during their stay. The residence halls open at 2 p.m. on Friday and close at 2 p.m. on Sunday.

For additional information, please visit the Commencement and Reunion Housing website or call their office. dartgo.org/housing or (603) 646-3288

See the commencement website for other lodging options: dartgo.org/visitors.

Please note: The Hanover Inn is reserved for Trustees, honorary degree recipients, and the 50-year reunion class.
Undergraduate Weekend Details

Any graduating student who will be unable to attend commencement should notify the Undergraduate Deans Office as far in advance as possible. Graduating students who wish to discuss or request disability-related adjustments for participation in any weekend activity should also contact the Undergraduate Deans Office.
Email: undergraduate.deans.office@dartmouth.edu  •  Phone: (603) 646-2243

Friday, June 8, 2018

Order of March
Since seniors march in alphabetical order, march order lists with the number assigned to each graduate will be posted on Friday in Berry Main Street, Baker-Berry Library.

Saturday, June 9, 2018

9 a.m.  Commencement Rehearsal
The chairs at Leede Arena will be numbered according to the order of march. Seniors should be at Leede by 9 a.m. to receive instructions about commencement procedures. Please feel free to arrive by 8:45 a.m. if you would like to review the pronunciation of your name with a commencement “reader.” Rehearsal attendance is limited to graduating students only.

10:15 a.m.  Class Day Exercises
Immediately following the commencement rehearsal, seniors will process to the Bema for class day (Leverone Field House in case of rain), entering the Bema at approximately 10 a.m. The program will include speeches by seniors and faculty, as well as an awards ceremony. Guests are invited to join the graduates at this event. The Bema is located at the end of a wide gravel path that branches off Observatory Road behind North Fayerweather. Parking is very limited near the Bema, so guests should plan to walk to the event. The space is an outdoor amphitheater with a limited number of chairs, available on a first come, first served basis. Since many guests will need to sit on the ground, family and friends are encouraged to bring blankets. Seniors will sit together on the grass in front of the stage. The space is wheelchair accessible but we recommend guests with mobility disabilities arrive by 9:30 a.m., as the final path to the Bema is unpaved.

12 p.m.  Class Photo
Immediately following class day exercises, seniors will gather in front of Dartmouth Hall for a class photo.
Sunday, June 10, 2018

8:15 a.m.  Commencement Assembly of Seniors
Seniors assemble at Leede Arena at 8:15 a.m. and must be in their assigned seats by 8:30 a.m. The doors will be closed promptly at 8:30 a.m. in order to prepare the final march order. Any student arriving after 8:30 a.m. will march at the end of the procession.

At a signal from the undergraduate dean, the class marshals and the bagpiper will lead the seniors from Leede Arena to the Green. Once on the Green, the seniors will form two lines through which the academic procession will advance toward the platform, providing an opportunity for acknowledgment of the accomplishments of the seniors and the support of faculty and administrators.

The William Jewett Tucker Center cordially invites graduates and their families to the Baccalaureate Service
Rollins Chapel
Saturday, June 9, 2018
3:00 p.m.
This multi-faith ceremony celebrates the significance of graduation through prayer, music, and a keynote address by

Allegra Love ’03
Executive Director of The Santa Fe Dreamers Project

Doors open at 2:30 p.m.
Schedule

Saturday, June 2, 2018

9:00 am  Geisel School of Medicine Class Day
         Spaulding Auditorium, Hopkins Center for the Arts

Friday, June 8, 2018

3:30 pm– The Dartmouth Institute Class Day
         Spaulding Auditorium, Hopkins Center for the Arts
         TDI students, family members, guests, faculty, and staff

5:30 pm– President’s Reception
9:30 pm   Glee Club Commencement Concert ($)
Schedule

Saturday, June 9, 2018

9:00 am  Commencement Rehearsal for Seniors  
*Leede Arena, Berry Sports Center*  
Limited to graduating students, no guests

10:00 am  Thayer School of Engineering Investiture  
*Spaulding Auditorium, Hopkins Center for the Arts*

10:15 am  Class Day Exercises for seniors and their guests  
*Bema (rain: Leverone Field House)*

12:30 pm  Tuck School of Business Investiture  
*Tuck Circle (rain: Leede Arena, Berry Sports Center)*

1:30 pm  Phi Beta Kappa Induction Ceremony  
*Spaulding Auditorium, Hopkins Center for the Arts*

3:00 pm  Baccalaureate  
*Rollins Chapel*  
A multi-faith service for all graduates and their guests.  
Seating is limited. Doors will open at 2:30 p.m.  
The service begins promptly at 3 p.m.

4:00 pm  Guarini School of Graduate and Advanced Studies Investiture  
*Spaulding Auditorium, Hopkins Center for the Arts*

5:00 pm  Dartmouth Wind Ensemble Concert  
*College Green*

8:00 pm  Graduation Gala  
*Collis Center for Student Involvement*  
For graduating undergraduates and their guests

Sunday, June 10, 2018

8:15 am  Seniors Assemble at Leede Arena

8:45 am  Guests Seated

9:00 am  Academic Procession

9:30 am  Commencement Ceremony  
*College Green (rain or shine)*  
Diploma distribution follows the ceremony.
Accessibility

The Dartmouth Green is accessible for peoples of all abilities. Open captions are provided on the large video screen adjacent to the stage. Guests using wheelchairs should contact Conferences and Events by May 15 to best ensure arrangements. dartgo.org/accessibility or (603) 646-3749

Graduating students who wish to discuss or request disability-related adjustments for participation in any weekend activity should contact:

Undergraduate Deans Office: (603) 646-2243
Geisel School of Medicine: (603) 650-1509
The Dartmouth Institute: (603) 650-1532
Thayer School of Engineering: (603) 646-3801
Tuck School of Business: (603) 646-2025
Guarini School of Graduate and Advanced Studies: (603) 646-2106

Commencement Seating

Commencement is held outdoors, rain or shine. We ask that all guests be seated by 8:45 a.m. as the academic procession begins at 9 a.m. Commencement exercises will begin at 9:30 a.m. All seating will be handled on a first come, first served basis. Closed-circuit television viewing will be provided in several indoor locations for those guests wishing to avoid heat, sun, or rain.
Assembly and Order of March

Seniors assemble at 8:15 a.m. in Leede Arena; graduate and professional school students gather at their designated assembly sites at Sanborn Library and in front of Wentworth Hall. At a signal from the undergraduate dean, the seniors march from Leede Arena to the College Green, where they form two lines through which the academic procession advances toward the platform. The seniors and professional school students then march to their seats in the front sections.

Photographs

Arrangements have been made for Commencement Photos, Inc. (CPI), a professional photography company, to take a picture after each graduate’s name is read. In May, families of graduating students will receive an order packet from CPI with details. Commencement guests will be prohibited from taking pictures beyond their seats.

Webcast and Videos

At 9 a.m. the live webcast of the ceremony will be available on the Dartmouth homepage. dartmouth.edu

Following the ceremony the webcast will be available at dartgo.org/dartmouthyoutube. A downloadable video will be available after June 30. dartgo.org/video

Diploma Distribution

Graduating students will pick up their diplomas at the following locations immediately after the ceremony:

Undergraduates: Baker Main Hall, Baker-Berry Library [until 2 p.m.]

Geisel School of Medicine: Class Day Ceremony

MALS: First Floor Wentworth Hall, MALS Office

MHCDS: mailed

Guarini School of Graduate and Advanced Studies (AM, MS and PhD): Room 437, 37 Dewey Field Road

The Dartmouth Institute: Class Day Ceremony

Thayer School: Cummings, Great Hall

Tuck School: Stell Hall
Dining
Local dining options can be found at dartgo.org/visitors. The Courtyard Café in the Hopkins Center is open on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Collis Café in the Collis Center is open on Sunday from 7 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. A special continental breakfast will be served on the Collis porch (weather permitting).

Parking
- Arriving before 4 p.m. on Friday: park in the H, J, and Dewey lots behind Geisel School of Medicine on the corner of Lyme Road and North Park Street.
- Arriving after 4 p.m. on Friday: park in any campus parking lot, including the H, J, and Dewey lots.

Shuttle service around campus, via Advance Transit, is available on a ten-minute schedule weekdays from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Metered parking on Hanover streets operates from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Saturday. Long term parking in the Hanover Parking Facility can be accessed either from Lebanon Street or South Street.

On Sunday, shuttle service will be provided from the Dewey, Thompson, and Ledyard lots from 6 a.m. to 2 p.m. The shuttle route will travel along Park Street and Wheelock Street with a stop at the corner of the Green at College and Wheelock Streets.

On Sunday, a limited number of accessible parking spaces will be available in the visitor lot located between Parkhurst Hall and Blunt Alumni Center. Additional accessible parking will be available along College Street. These spaces will be open to vehicles with the proper state licenses and accessible permits and will be allocated on a first come, first served basis.

Guests using wheelchairs may be dropped off along the edge of the Green before parking.

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Severe Weather
Commencement is held outdoors, rain or shine. A severe weather plan has been created to accommodate holding a commencement ceremony indoors if the forecasted weather makes an outdoor ceremony too dangerous. The ceremony will be held outdoors if it is merely raining, but in the highly unlikely case of lightning, hail, or dangerously high winds, the severe weather plan will be implemented. The safety of our graduates, families, and guests will be our priority.

Any determination to implement the severe weather plan will be emailed to all graduating students on Saturday, June 9. If the severe weather plan is implemented, the commencement ceremony will be held in Leede Arena. Because it is a smaller venue than the Green, admission will be granted only to degree candidates and marching faculty.

Tickets for Severe Weather
If severe weather is forecast, all students will receive four remote viewing tickets when they pick up their cap and gown. Tickets will become necessary ONLY in the unlikely event that we implement the severe weather plan and move the ceremony to Leede Arena.

The remote viewing tickets will provide access for up to four guests per student to view the ceremony on large video screens in the venue printed on the ticket. Families and guests will also be able to view the live ceremony online at dartmouth.edu.
A full Campus Map, which includes information on accessible parking, entrances, and restrooms, is available online at www.dartmouth.edu/~maps.