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2019 COMMENCEMENT



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Fact Sheet for Platform Party and Faculty

Location

The 2019 Phoenix College Commencement will be held on May 10, 2019, at the Grand Canyon University Arena, 3300 W. Camelback Road beginning at 7:00 p.m. The Platform Party/Faculty reception will be held at the Grand Canyon University Upper Level Southeast Concessions Area at 6:00 pm. This reception will include the platform guests (President, Vice-Presidents, Deans, Governing Board Member, Keynote Speaker, etc.), Faculty members, and our student speaker.

Travel time varies based on your location in the Valley. Remember to allow time to park on campus and entrance into the Arena. It is recommended to check traffic and construction information at az511.gov or by calling 888-411-ROAD (7623). Please allow time for parking and entrance into the Arena.

Parking

The 29th Avenue garage is the designated garage for PC's Commencement Ceremony. Traffic control officers will direct traffic to the appropriate garage as capacity allows upon arrival. Please plan accordingly to arrive on time due to rush hour traffic and the distance from the parking structure to the Arena. Handicapped parking is available. Please see the map provided for more information. You are also encouraged to consider utilizing a rideshare service to the Ceremony.

Rehearsal

A rehearsal is scheduled at 5:15 pm for the platform party, student speaker, ushers, and key Committee members at the stage.

Faculty Check-In/Reception

The platform guests, faculty, and student speakers' reception starts at 6:00 pm in the Grand Canyon University Upper Level Southeast Concessions Area. All may enter the Arena at the main entrance and proceed up to the 2nd floor to the Southeast Concessions Area. Light refreshments will be served. There will be visible signage to guide you to this location. *Please be advised that there will not be a secure area to leave your valuables, so please plan accordingly.*

Graduation March/Processional Instructions

At 7:00 pm the platform party will process, in regalia, from the assembly area to the Arena floor and stage. The faculty will follow, escorted by the faculty marshals Trino Sandoval and Kenny Miller. Student marshals Diana Martinez and Brenton Cheeks will lead the formal graduate processional. Faculty should remain standing for the student processional. After the national anthem, all may be seated. The commencement program will follow.

Exit March/Recessional

The recessional will commence with faculty forming a tunnel inside the Arena in the aisle led by the faculty marshals. When the recessional music begins, marshals will prompt faculty to stand and will assist with directing faculty to the designated location. The formal recessional will begin with the platform party, followed by the graduates. Faculty will exit down the center aisle, continue through the lobby to the outdoor patio area to meet with graduates and colleagues.