



April 28, 2022 (via *all-faculty list serve*)

Dear Colleagues,

I write to encourage you to attend our commencement events May 7-9. This is the 192nd Commencement at the University of Richmond and it is the culmination of the academic year of our community and the hard work of our students finishing degrees. I hope you will join the festivities of the weekend and plan to process with your faculty colleagues during one or more of the commencement ceremonies. Students deeply value seeing their mentors, advisors, and teachers when they graduate. Even today after many years, I remember vividly how happy and proud I was as a graduating student to introduce my family to faculty who mentored me.

If you do not have an academic robe and would like to purchase one, please contact either Jennifer Mihalcoe (Jennifer.Mihalcoe@richmond.edu) or call 804-289-8058 and/or email Christy Fontana at (Cfontana@richmond.edu) or call 804-289-6808 .

The SPCS and Law School commencement ceremonies are **May 7** at 9am and 2pm, respectively. Please arrive at least 30 minutes prior to ceremony start.

The main commencement ceremony, to include candidates receiving Bachelor degrees from the School of Arts and Sciences, Jepson School of Leadership Studies and the E. Claiborne Robins School of Business, will be held at the Robins Center at 2:00 pm on **May 8**. You may want to park in an interior lot and walk to the Robins Center to avoid traffic congestion. The Faculty Robing Room (Robins Center 245) will open at 12:30 pm, please arrive by 1:15 pm with your regalia. Please enter through the front entrance of the Robins Center off of College Road and follow the Purple Signs to Robins Center Room 245. For those processing, note that you will enter the arena and be seated at the floor level.

Our student athletes are committed to excellence in the classroom and on the field. This commitment often spans commencement weekend, and this year some athletes will be unable to attend regularly scheduled ceremonies. **To recognize the academic achievements of these students, we will hold a special commencement ceremony on Monday, May 9, at 2:00 PM in the Robins Center.** I encourage you to attend this celebration of their dedicated efforts. There will be no procession or regalia.

For additional information about the weekend festivities, please see: <https://commencement.richmond.edu/>.

This 192nd ceremony is a meaningful and joyful occasion for our students and their families. I look forward to seeing you at commencement!

Congratulations to all our graduates!

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