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# COMMENCEMENT

May 20 - 21

Preliminary Planning Guide

# Preliminary Weekend Schedule

Additional details can be found at [cmu.edu/commencement](http://cmu.edu/commencement).

## FRIDAY, MAY 19

2 p.m.

### Phi Beta Kappa Honor Society Initiation Ceremony

McConomy Auditorium, first floor,  
Cohon University Center

- Sponsors will send invitations directly to inductees.
- A reception will immediately follow in the Connan Room, first floor, Cohon Center.

4:30 p.m.

### 2017 Senior Leadership Awards Ceremony (Invitation only)

Rangos Hall, second floor,  
Cohon University Center

- This ceremony recognizes nominated seniors who have reflected upon their specific leadership contributions during their time at CMU.
- Doors open at 4 p.m.

## SATURDAY, MAY 20

9 a.m.

### Honors Ceremonies

On campus; exact locations to be announced in the spring

- Undergraduate students receiving university or college honors will be presented with their honors cords or medallions. Students will be notified of their status in the spring.
- Tickets are not issued.
- Ceremonies last approximately one hour. Some may be preceded or followed by a reception.

3:30 p.m.

### Doctor's Hooding Robing

Carnegie Music Hall Foyer, Carnegie Museum\*

- Robing is for ceremony participants only. Guests should proceed directly to the ceremony.

4:30 p.m.

### Doctor's Hooding Ceremony

Carnegie Music Hall, Carnegie Museum\*

- Doors open at 3:30 p.m. Please do not arrive prior to this time.
- Tickets are not issued.
- The ceremony lasts approximately 90 minutes.
- A reception will immediately follow in the Carnegie Music Hall Foyer.

## SUNDAY, MAY 21

9 a.m.

### Gesling Stadium Opens

10 a.m.

### Commencement Robing

Various locations on campus

- Robing is for ceremony participants only. Guests should proceed directly to the ceremony.

10:15 a.m.

**All guests must be seated by this time** for the procession of graduates.

11 a.m.

### Main Commencement Ceremony

Gesling Stadium

- Tickets are not issued.
- The ceremony lasts approximately 90 minutes and takes place outdoors rain or shine. **Gesling Stadium is NOT covered and there is no shade.** Please plan accordingly.
- Indoor simulcasts and a webcast will be available.
- Diplomas are distributed at department/college diploma ceremonies; see next page for a schedule.

\*off campus

# Diploma Ceremonies

Schedule is current as of December 2016. Adjustments are possible. Some ceremonies may be preceded or followed by a reception. Refer to [cmu.edu/commencement](http://cmu.edu/commencement) for the most up-to-date and complete information.

## **Architecture**

Saturday, May 20  
Ceremony: 11:30 a.m.  
Philip Chosky Theater,  
Purnell Center

## **Art**

Saturday, May 20  
Ceremony: 3 p.m.  
Philip Chosky Theater,  
Purnell Center

## **Bachelor of Humanities & Arts/ Bachelor of Science & Arts/ Bachelor of Computer Science & Arts**

Sunday, May 21  
Ceremony: 8:30 a.m.  
Kresge Theater,  
College of Fine Arts

## **Biological Sciences**

Saturday, May 20  
Ceremony: Noon  
Auditorium, Mellon Institute

## **Biomedical Engineering**

Sunday, May 21  
Ceremony: 8:45 a.m.  
McConomy Auditorium,  
Cohon University Center

## **Business Administration (Bachelor's)**

Sunday, May 21  
Ceremony: 2:30 p.m.  
Soldiers & Sailors Memorial Hall\*

## **Business Administration (Master's & Doctor's)**

Saturday, May 20  
Ceremony: 12:30 p.m.  
Soldiers & Sailors Memorial Hall\*

## **Chemical Engineering**

Saturday, May 20  
Ceremony: Noon  
Wiegand Gym,  
Cohon University Center

## **Chemistry**

Sunday, May 21  
Ceremony: 2 p.m.  
Auditorium, Mellon Institute

## **Center for Neural Basis of Cognition**

Saturday, May 20  
Ceremony: 12:30 p.m.  
Connan Room,  
Cohon University Center

## **Civil & Environmental Engineering**

Sunday, May 21  
Ceremony: 2:30 p.m.  
Wiegand Gym,  
Cohon University Center

## **Design**

Saturday, May 20  
Ceremony: 11:30 a.m.  
Rangos Hall,  
Cohon University Center

## **Drama**

Sunday, May 21  
Ceremony: 1:30 p.m.  
Philip Chosky Theater,  
Purnell Center

## **Economics**

Sunday, May 21  
Ceremony: 2:30 p.m.  
Soldiers & Sailors Memorial Hall\*

## **Electrical & Computer Engineering**

Sunday, May 21  
Ceremony: 2 p.m.  
Petersen Events Center\*

## **Energy Science, Technology & Policy**

Sunday, May 21  
Ceremony: 8 a.m.  
Marquis Conference Room,  
Room 5201, Scott Hall

## **Engineering & Public Policy**

Sunday, May 21  
Ceremony: 7:30 a.m.  
Rangos Hall,  
Cohon University Center

## **Engineering & Technology Innovation Management**

Sunday, May 21  
Ceremony: 7:30 a.m.  
Rangos Hall,  
Cohon University Center

## **English**

Saturday, May 20  
Ceremony: 2 p.m.  
McConomy Auditorium,  
Cohon University Center

## **Entertainment Technology Center**

Sunday, May 21  
Reception/Ceremony: 4 p.m.  
East Club Lounge,  
Heinz Field\*

\*off campus

**Heinz College**

Saturday, May 20  
Ceremony: 11 a.m.  
Petersen Events Center\*

**History**

Sunday, May 21  
Ceremony: 8:45 a.m.  
Giant Eagle Auditorium,  
Baker Hall

**Information Networking Institute**

Sunday, May 21  
Ceremony: 4 p.m.  
Rodef Shalom Congregation\*

**Information Systems (Dietrich College)**

Saturday, May 20  
Ceremony: 6 p.m.  
Philip Chosky Theater,  
Purnell Center

**Institute for Politics & Strategy**

Saturday, May 20  
Ceremony: 3 p.m.  
Giant Eagle Auditorium,  
Baker Hall

**Integrated Innovation Institute**

Saturday, May 20  
Ceremony: 9 a.m.  
Gregg Hall/Room 100,  
Porter Hall

**Materials Science & Engineering**

Sunday, May 21  
Ceremony: 2 p.m.  
The Twentieth Century Club\*

**Mathematical Sciences**

Sunday, May 21  
Ceremony: 1 p.m.  
McConomy Auditorium,  
Cohon University Center

**Mechanical Engineering**

Saturday, May 20  
Ceremony: 11 a.m.  
Carnegie Music Hall,  
Carnegie Museum\*

**Modern Languages**

Sunday, May 21  
Ceremony: 8 a.m.  
Studio Theater,  
Cohon University Center

**Music**

Sunday, May 21  
Ceremony: 1 p.m.  
Great Hall,  
College of Fine Arts

**Philosophy**

Sunday, May 21  
Ceremony: 9 a.m.  
Gregg Hall/Room 100,  
Porter Hall

**Physics**

Sunday, May 21  
Ceremony: 12:30 p.m.  
Room 7500,  
Wean Hall

**Psychology**

Sunday, May 21  
Ceremony: 2 p.m.  
Rangos Hall,  
Cohon University Center

**School of Computer Science  
(Bachelor's & Doctor's)**

Sunday, May 21  
Ceremony: 1:30 p.m.  
Carnegie Music Hall,  
Carnegie Museum\*

**School of Computer Science (Master's)**

Sunday, May 21  
Ceremony: 3 p.m.  
Carnegie Music Hall,  
Carnegie Museum\*

**Social & Decision Sciences**

Saturday, May 20  
Ceremony: 11 a.m.  
McConomy Auditorium,  
Cohon University Center

**Software Management**

*The diploma ceremony will  
take place in August at a site near  
the Silicon Valley campus. Details  
will be sent directly to graduates.*

**Statistics**

Sunday, May 21  
Ceremony: 2 p.m.  
Winchester Thurston  
School Auditorium\*

**Student-Defined Majors  
(Dietrich College)**

Saturday, May 20  
Ceremony: 11 a.m.  
Adamson Wing/Room 136A,  
Baker Hall

# Deadlines for Graduating Students

Additional details can be found at [cmu.edu/commencement](http://cmu.edu/commencement).

## **By February 6**

Apply to be the Student Speaker

## **By March 17**

Register for the Doctor's Hooding ceremony (Ph.D. only)

## **March 22 & 23**

Stop by Grad Fair to purchase a cap and gown (Bachelor's & Master's only)

## **By March 24**

Verify diploma information

## **By April 7**

Order a cap and gown online (Ph.D. only)

## **By May 17**

Resolve outstanding student account balance

## Additional Information

### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

You can find hotels near campus and in the Pittsburgh area at [cmu.edu/commencement](http://cmu.edu/commencement).

#### **Make your reservation soon!**

Commencement weekend is a busy time and hotels fill up quickly.

### **ELDERLY & SPECIAL NEEDS GUESTS**

The main commencement ceremony takes place outdoors in Gesling Stadium, rain or shine! **The stadium is NOT covered and there is no shade.** Please consider this when making arrangements for family members. Indoor simulcasts and a webcast will be available.

Visit [cmu.edu/commencement](http://cmu.edu/commencement) for more tips to make commencement weekend comfortable for elderly or special needs guests.

### **INTERNATIONAL GUESTS**

Advice on visa applications can be found at [cmu.edu/commencement](http://cmu.edu/commencement). Be sure to review the website of your country's U.S. Embassy for the most up-to-date visa requirements and other important information.

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