2016 SCHEDULE HIGHLIGHTS

Wednesday, May 4
Senior Wonderful Wednesday

Thursday, May 5
Class Day
Senior Class Receptions & Candlelight Crossover

Friday & Saturday, May 6 & 7
Various student and alumni receptions and reunions
Oxford College Events

Sunday, May 8
Baccalaureate Service
Commencement Brunch
President’s Open House
Honors Ceremonies
Numerous school, affinity group, and class receptions and reunions

Monday, May 9
Emory University Commencement followed by most diploma ceremonies

See the Commencement Website for full schedule of events, venues and details. Some events require advance registration or specific class/school affiliation. www.emory.edu/commencement
Please take note of the four special Commencement shuttle routes (marked Peavine, Michael Street, Lowergate, and Clairmont) named for the primary deck that each route services. These special shuttles will pick up at numerous locations along the marked routes, and will make stops at the major Commencement venues.

Please use Clifton Road for access to the majority of campus parking decks. Out of respect for the businesses operating around Emory and residents in the adjacent neighborhoods, please do not park in any of these areas: the SunTrust Bank lot on North Decatur Road, any Emory Village business parking lot (especially the CVS lot), or neighborhood streets. We also ask that you avoid the Emory Clinic and Lowergate North parking decks as they are not free and are needed for patients visiting the medical facilities.

While all Commencement parking decks are free on Commencement Day, all other parking regulations are strictly enforced. Your car may be booted or towed if improperly parked. On campus, please do not park in any spaces marked no-parking, 24 Hour Reserved, carpool, or Service Vehicles Only.

The main-gate entrance to campus (near North Decatur & Oxford roads) is reserved for passenger drop-off only. Guests may be dropped off at the sidewalk between the Administration Building and White Hall at the West Entrance of the Quadrangle.

The Oxford Road Parking Deck is reserved specifically for guests with mobility concerns and disabilities. All parking decks have disability parking available. We do not recommend that guests with mobility concerns park at the Fishburne Parking Deck because it does not have an elevator or shuttle service.

The 9:00 a.m. All-Schools Central Ceremony on the Quadrangle is attended by 15,000 including the degree candidates and faculty from each of the schools. This ceremony features the grand academic procession led by the Atlanta Pipe Band and the formal addresses from the University President and the keynote speaker.

Following the All-Schools Central Ceremony, each school hosts their own diploma distribution ceremony where each graduate is called by name to come forward to receive their diploma.

GUEST INFORMATION

PARKING
For those attending both the all-schools central ceremony and a school diploma ceremony, we recommend that you park at the deck closest to your final event venue (diploma ceremony, reception, etc.) and walk or ride the shuttles to the Quadrangle. This ensures that you are close to your car at the end of the day.

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THE QUADRANGLE

The Quadrangle is closed to guest access until the entry gates open at 6:45 a.m. All bags are subject to search. An express lane is available at each entry point for guests with no bags or purses to inspect. To expedite your entry, please limit the size and contents of any purse or bag, and remember that weapons and noisemakers are prohibited. Many restrooms and food facilities are located outside the entry gates. Once inside, please consider leaving any bags with a family member for quicker return entry.

The walkways in front of and behind the graduate seating areas will close to guest traffic at 8:45 a.m. and remain closed until the ceremony ends, limiting any cross-Quadrangle travel without exiting and re-entering through the perimeter gates.

INCLEMENT WEATHER

Checking the main Emory website (www.emory.edu) is the fastest way to learn if either the “Heavy Rain” or the “Severe Weather” plan has been activated. If the weather forecast calls for rain on Sunday night or Monday morning, we strongly encourage you to check the website or the weather hotline at 404-727-1234 on Sunday night after 7:00 p.m. so that you will know when/where to arrive on Monday morning and to adjust travel plans if needed. If there is light rain, the Quadrangle ceremony will continue as planned (bring an umbrella!), as will many of the diploma ceremonies. If the heavy rain or severe weather plan is activated, the Quadrangle ceremony will be canceled (it becomes part of the Emory College diploma ceremony) and many school diploma ceremonies/receptions will start earlier (or much later) in different locations. See chart on next page for details.
Diploma Ceremonies and Receptions

**ARTS & SCIENCES**

Diploma Ceremony 10:45 a.m.
The Quadrangle
After the all-school recessional march, guests may move to the seats vacated by the other graduates.

Rain Schedule (tickets required)
During both inclement weather schedules, the diploma ceremony follows an abbreviated main ceremony. For the heavy rain schedule, the ceremony takes place on McDonough Field at 9:00 a.m. (blue tickets). For the severe weather schedule, the ceremony takes place at the Woodruff Physical Education Center at 8:00 a.m. (green tickets).

Recommended Parking
Peavine Parking Deck

**THEOLOGY**

Diploma Ceremony 11:00 a.m.
Glenn Memorial Auditorium

Candler Lunch 12:30 p.m.
Candler School of Theology

Rain Schedule
In either heavy rain or severe weather schedules, locations remain the same but the Diploma Ceremony starts at 8:00 a.m.

Recommended Parking
Peavine Parking Deck

Helpful Tips
Use the South Exit of the Quadrangle. The P shuttle services the Peavine Deck.

**BUSINESS**

Diploma Ceremonies
BBA at 11:00 a.m. and MBA at 12:45 p.m.
Woodruff Physical Education Center

Receptions
MBA at 11:00 a.m. and BBA at 12:30 p.m.
Goizueta Business School

Heavy Rain Schedule
BBA diploma ceremony moves to 9:00 with a 10:30 brunch, and the MBA ceremony at 10:30 with a Noon brunch. Brunch indoors.

Severe Weather Schedule
BBA brunch at 9:30 with diploma ceremony at 11:00, and the MBA brunch at 11:45 with a 1:15 diploma ceremony. Brunch indoors.

Recommended Parking
Peavine Parking Deck

Helpful Tips
BBA families use West Quad exit and P shuttle to WoodPec. A special business school shuttle will assist between brunch and diploma ceremonies.

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Glenn Memorial Auditorium

Candler Lunch 12:30 p.m.
Candler School of Theology

Rain Schedule
In either heavy rain or severe weather schedules, the ceremony and luncheon are held at 11:00 a.m. at the House of Hope at Greater Travelers Rest (4650 Flat Shoals Parkway, Decatur, GA 30034)

Recommended Parking
Peavine Parking Deck (M.D.), Michael Street (Allied Health Programs)

Helpful Tips
Use the North Exit of the Quadrangle

**MEDICINE**

Diploma Ceremonies
Medical Imaging: Dobbs University Center, Harland Cinema, Noon
Physical Therapy: WHSCAB Auditorium, 11:00 a.m.
Genetic Counseling – Whitehead Building Auditorium, 11:30 a.m.
M.D. – Glenn Memorial Auditorium, 1:30 p.m. (tickets required)

Receptions
Medical Imaging reception at 10:45 a.m. at Winship Ballroom. Physical Therapy and Genetic Counseling receptions at diploma ceremony sites after ceremonies, M.D. at Medical Education Building at 11:00 a.m.

Rain Schedule
Same locations, 10:00 a.m. start for M.D., all others start at 9:00 a.m.

Recommended Parking
Peavine Parking Deck (M.D.), Michael Street (Allied Health Programs)

Helpful Tips
Use the North Exit of the Quadrangle

**GRADUATE SCHOOL**

Diploma Ceremony
Master’s Candidates: Emory Conference Center Hotel, Sunday, 3:00 p.m.
Ph.D. Candidates: Schwartz Center, Monday, 11:30 a.m.

Joint Master’s/Ph.D. Reception
Emory Conference Center Hotel, Sunday from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m.

Rain Schedule
In either heavy rain or severe weather schedules, locations remain the same but the Ph.D. ceremony starts at 9:00 a.m.

Recommended Parking
Lowergate South Parking Deck (PhD)

Helpful Tips
Ph.D. guests use the East Exit. The L shuttle provides service to the Schwartz Center and Lowergate Parking Deck.

**NURSING**

Diploma Ceremony 11:00 a.m.
McDonough Field

Reception
Following diploma ceremony at the School of Nursing

Rain Schedule
In either heavy rain or severe weather schedules, the diploma ceremony is moved to Glenn Memorial Auditorium at 1:00 p.m. with 10:30 a.m. pre-reception at the School of Nursing.

Recommended Parking
Michael Street Parking Deck

Helpful Tips
Use the North Quadrangle Exit. The M shuttle provides service to the School of Nursing reception and the Michael Street Parking Deck.

**PUBLIC HEALTH**

Diploma Ceremony
McDonough Field, 1:30 p.m.

Rain Schedule
Same venue but 2:00 p.m. start under the heavy rain schedule. During the severe weather schedule, the diploma ceremony is held at the Woodruff Physical Education Center at 4:15 p.m.

Recommended Parking
Peavine Parking Deck

# Numbers refer to locations on the Commencement Shuttle Map. Box color is the same as the school’s directional signs when leaving the Quadrangle (it is also the same color as the graduate degree hoods and banner). See Commencement website for full schedule of events, updates, and any inclement weather notices.
Blue plus gold equals GREEN! Join the University, the Schools and Units, the Barnes & Noble Bookstore, Emory Dining, Campus Services, Emory’s Sustainability Initiatives, and the entire Emory Community as we strive toward a zero-landfill waste Commencement Weekend. Highlights of our commitment to the environment (and ways you can help!) include:

• All of our Oxford College, Undergraduate, and M.D. gowns are made of 100% recycled bottles. This represents more than 80,000 plastic bottles diverted from landfills every year and turned into our graduates’ gowns (many of which are then recycled or handed down again);

• Each of our catering partners are asked to provide 100% compostable serving items (cups, plates, etc.). Please be sure to utilize the compostable bins located at the receptions and do NOT bring any styrofoam™ products to campus as they are the one product that cannot be recycled or composted on-campus;

• Our Commencement program is printed on Forest Stewardship Council® certified paper. Please return any unneeded copies to the program distribution tables for others to enjoy or for proper recycling;

• While Coca-Cola provides complimentary beverages to Quadrangle guests, please feel free to bring your own water bottle to use throughout the day. Bottled-water refilling stations can be found in the Administration Building, the Woodruff Physical Education Center, the School of Law, Goizueta Business School, Cox Hall, Woodruff Library and many other campus locations;

• Please carpool and follow the parking recommendations and directions from traffic officers to reduce excess idling. Familiarize yourself with the extensive network of campus “Cliff” shuttles which are powered by 100% biodiesel made from recycled cooking oil from Emory’s cafeterias and hospitals.

Thank you for doing your part to help keep Emory green!

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