



Commencement 2023

DARTMOUTH

Dear 2023 Graduates and Families:

We share your excitement as we approach commencement festivities in June. We are working together to make commencement 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: www.dartmouth.edu/commence.

The Dartmouth community looks forward to sharing this splendid occasion with you. See you soon!

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General Questions and Information

- Commencement website: www.dartmouth.edu/commence
Email: commencement@dartmouth.edu
Geisel School of Medicine: <https://geiselmed.dartmouth.edu/class-day/>
Guarini School of Graduate and Advanced Studies: <https://graduate.dartmouth.edu/academics/academic-calendar/commencement-investiture-2023>
Thayer School of Engineering: <https://engineering.dartmouth.edu/events/investiture>
The Dartmouth Institute: <https://tdi.dartmouth.edu/news-events/class-day-2023>
Tuck School of Business: <https://www.tuck.dartmouth.edu/events/investiture>
During commencement weekend, call (603) 646-8181 for a recorded message with updated information on venue changes, delays, or cancellations.

Academic Regalia (Caps and Gowns)

Pre-order undergraduate caps and gowns online for \$28 by **Friday, May 5 at 11:59 p.m. EST**: www.dartgo.org/regalia. Pick up pre-ordered regalia Thursday, June 8, through Saturday, June 10, (9 a.m. to 4 p.m.) in the Class of 1953 Commons, Paganucci Lounge. During that time, there will be limited regalia available for purchase (**\$28, cash 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.

Applications can be found at www.dartgo.org/housing and must be completed by **Monday, April 3 at 11:59 p.m. EST**. Housing assignments will be made after the application deadline. Guests whose applications are submitted after the application deadline will be housed if space is available. A \$25 fee will apply for cancelled reservations.

Residence hall rooms are available for occupancy from 2 p.m. on Friday, June 9, until 2 p.m. on Sunday, June 11. The College is not able to accommodate guests on Thursday or Sunday night.

Students who are graduating may retain their own rooms until 12 p.m. on Monday, June 12. Early graduates (and their spouses/partners) who are returning for commencement and plan to stay in residence halls will be guests of the College and will not be charged for their rooms. They must return an application by April 3.

The Commencement and Reunion Housing Office is located in the main lounge of Mid-Massachusetts Hall. The office is staffed daily from 8 a.m. to 11 p.m. beginning Friday, June 9 through Sunday, June 11, to assist guests with questions, accommodate late arrivals, and handle any emergencies. 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 the office: www.dartgo.org/housing or (603) 646-3288.

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

Please note: Space is not available at the Hanover Inn, which will be host to trustees, honorary degree recipients, and members of the 50-year reunion class.

Announcements

Graduation announcements may be purchased from the Dartmouth Co-op: <https://www.dartmouthcoop.com>.

Undergraduate Weekend Details

Any graduating undergraduate 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 contact the Undergraduate Deans Office.

Email: undergraduate.deans.office@dartmouth.edu • Phone: (603) 646-2243

Friday, June 9, 2023

Procession Order

Seniors and other graduating undergraduates march in alphabetical order. Procession order lists, with the number assigned to each student, will be posted on Friday after 10 a.m. in Berry Main Street, Baker-Berry Library. Each participating undergraduate will also receive their procession order number through email.

Saturday, June 10, 2023

9 a.m. Commencement Rehearsal

The chairs at Leede Arena will be numbered according to the procession order. 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 access challenges arrive by 9:30 a.m., as the final path to the Bema is unpaved.

Class Photo

Immediately following class day, seniors and other graduating undergraduates will gather for a class photo.



Sunday, June 11, 2023

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 procession order. Any student arriving after 8:30 a.m. will process 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.



Schedule

Saturday, May 27, 2023

9 a.m. **Geisel School of Medicine Class Day**
Class of 1978 Life Sciences Center Lawn

Friday, June 9, 2023

2 p.m. - **The Dartmouth Institute Class Day**
3:30 p.m. *Class of 1978 Life Sciences Center Lawn*
TDI students, family members, guests, faculty, and staff

5:30 p.m. - **President's Reception**
7 p.m. *President's House, 14 Webster Avenue*
President Philip J. Hanlon '77 and Gail Gentes '77a host a reception for graduates and their guests.



The William Jewett Tucker Center cordially invites graduates and their families to the **Baccalaureate Service**

Rollins Chapel
Saturday, June 10, 2023

2 p.m.

This multifaith ceremony celebrates the significance of graduation through the voices of students in prayer, music, and a keynote address.

Seating opens at 1:30 p.m.

Schedule

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- 9 a.m.** **Commencement Rehearsal for seniors**
Leede Arena, Berry Sports Center
 Limited to graduating students, no guests
- 9:15 a.m.** **Thayer School of Engineering Investiture**
Cummings Hall Lawn
- 10:15 a.m.** **Class Day Exercises for seniors and their guests**
Bema
- 1 p.m.** **Phi Beta Kappa Induction Ceremony**
Class of 1978 Life Sciences Center Lawn
- 1 p.m.** **Tuck School of Business Investiture**
Tuck Hall Steps
- 2 p.m.** **Baccalaureate**
Rollins Chapel
 A multifaith service for all graduates and their guests.
 Seating is limited, and will begin at 1:30 p.m.
 The service begins promptly at 2 p.m.
- 4 p.m.** **Guarini School of Graduate and Advanced Studies Investiture**
Dartmouth Green
- 8 p.m.** **Graduation Gala**
Collis Student Center
 For graduating undergraduates and their guests. Free of charge.

Sunday, June 11, 2023

- 8:15 a.m.** **Seniors Assemble at Leede Arena**
- 8:45 a.m.** **Guests seated on the Green**
- 9 a.m.** **Academic Procession**
- 9:30 a.m.** **Commencement Ceremony**
Dartmouth Green (rain or shine)
 Diploma distribution follows the ceremony (see page 9).



Accessibility

The Dartmouth Green is accessible to people of all abilities. Open captions are provided on a large video screen to the right of the stage (see map online at <https://dartgo.org/commencementseating>). Guests using wheelchairs should contact Conferences and Events (C&E) by May 12 to ensure optimal arrangements. Please visit www.dartmouth.org/accessibility or call (603) 646-8923 for more information.

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 or
undergraduate.deans.office@dartmouth.edu

Geisel School of Medicine: (603) 650-1509

Guarini School of Graduate and Advanced Studies: (603) 646-2106

Thayer School: (603) 646-3801

The Dartmouth Institute: (603) 650-1673

Tuck School: (603) 646-2025

Commencement Seating

Commencement is held outdoors, rain or shine. We ask that 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 seats on the Dartmouth Green have favorable sightlines to the large video screen with open captions. Seating will be handled on a first-come, first-served basis. Remote viewing will be provided in several indoor locations for those guests wishing to avoid heat, sun, or rain.

Assembly and Procession Order

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 process from Leede Arena to the Dartmouth Green, where they form two lines through which the academic procession advances toward the platform. The seniors and professional school students then process to their seats in the front sections.

Photographs

Arrangements have been made for Grad Images, 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 Grad Images with details. Commencement guests are asked to remain in their seats while taking photographs.

Webcast and Videos

At 9 a.m. on Sunday, June 11, the live webcast of the ceremony will be available on the Dartmouth homepage: www.dartmouth.edu.

Following the ceremony the webcast will be available at www.dartgo.org/dartmouthyoutube. A video will be available for download after June 23 at: www.dartgo.org/video.

Diploma Distribution

Graduating students can pick up their diplomas at the following locations immediately after the ceremony, unless otherwise indicated:

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

Geisel School of Medicine: Class Day Ceremony

Guarini School of Graduate and Advanced Studies (AM, MS and PhD):
Guarini School Office, Room 102, Anonymous Hall, 64 College St.

MALS: MALS Office, Room 315, Anonymous Hall, 64 College St.

MHCDS: mailed

Thayer School: Cummings, Great Hall [until 2 p.m.]

The Dartmouth Institute: Class Day Ceremony

Tuck School: Stell Hall [until 2 p.m.]

Dining

Local dining options can be found on the commencement website: www.dartgo.org/visitors. The Courtyard Café in the Hopkins Center is open on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday from 8 a.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Collis Café in the Collis Student Center is open on Sunday from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m.

The Hanover Inn will serve breakfast, lunch, and dinner in Pine Restaurant on Friday and Saturday. On Sunday, PINE will serve breakfast and dinner as well as an extended service Commencement Brunch. Reservations are required for all meals via the website, <https://www.pineathanoverinn.com/>.

Parking

- **Arriving before 5 p.m. on Friday, June 9:** park in the Dewey lots behind Geisel School of Medicine on the corner of Lyme Road and North Park Street.
- **Arriving after 5 p.m. on Friday, June 9:** park in any campus parking lot, including the Dewey lots.

Shuttle service around campus, via Advanced Transit, is available with weekday service from Dewey running 7 a.m. - 9 p.m. During peak hours (7 a.m. - 10 a.m., 3 p.m. - 7 p.m.), shuttles operate every 10 minutes. During non-peak hours (10 a.m. - 3 p.m.), shuttles operate every 30 minutes.

Metered parking on Hanover streets operates from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Saturday. Long-term parking in the Hanover town parking garage 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 7 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 Main and Wheelock Streets.



On Sunday, a limited number of accessible parking spaces will be available in the visitor lot located between Parkhurst and Blunt (see map at <https://home.dartmouth.edu/about/campus-map>). Additional accessible parking will be available along College Street. These spaces will be open to vehicles with official state licenses or placards and accessible permits and will be allocated on a first-come, first-served basis.

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

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 holding 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 is our top priority.

If needed, a determination to implement the severe weather plan will be emailed to all graduating students on Saturday, June 10. 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.

For up-to-date information on the severe weather plan visit <https://www.dartmouth.edu/commence/visitors/rain.html>.

COVID Policies

If you are feeling unwell or have concerns for your health and safety, please stay home and enjoy the live webcast.

For more information, please visit the visitor guidance page covid.dartmouth.edu/visitor-guidance, and face covering policy covid.dartmouth.edu/face-mask-policy. We hope these guidelines help you and your guests prepare for your campus visit. Please note that these guidelines are subject to change based on the most current College policy at the time.

Stay Connected



Commencement Weekend Map



Sites of Commencement
Events and Activities

Parking Areas



Other College
Buildings



Commencement
Sunday Shuttle Stop

A full Campus Map, which includes information on accessible parking, entrances, and restrooms, is available online at www.dartmouth.edu/~maps.