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Invitation to Participate in 2018 LAS Winter Convocation

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Congratulations on the upcoming completion of your master's degree!

The College of Liberal Arts & Sciences invites you to participate in the 2018 LAS Winter Convocation ceremony at 10 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 22, at the Krannert Center for the Performing Arts' Foellinger Great Hall, 500 S. Goodwin, Urbana. If you wish to participate in the ceremony, you must complete an online registration form and rent a cap and gown. Before you register, please refer to the LAS Winter Convocation webpage for complete information.

If you'd like to forgo the winter ceremony, you are eligible to participate in the May 2019 department/unit convocation and university-wide commencement ceremonies. Information for these events will be sent to students in March, or see the Commencement webpage for more information. No action is required at this time to participate in the May ceremonies.

Wednesday, Nov. 21: Registration ends; regalia early bird pricing deadline

To participate, you must register here by 10:59 p.m. CST on Nov. 21.

All graduates must wear academic regalia. To receive early bird pricing, regalia orders must also be submitted by 10:59 p.m. CST on Nov. 21 at http://colleges.herffjones.com/college/illinois/. Orders will be accepted through 10:59 p.m. CST on Dec. 1 at full rental rate. If you would like to have your regalia shipped to you within the U.S., you must place an order by Nov. 21. A shipping fee will apply.

Guests and ticket information

Each guest must have a ticket to attend the ceremony, regardless of age. Due to the ceremony's popularity, we are able to issue up to four tickets to each participating student. The tickets are free and can be requested when you register to participate in the ceremony. Tickets will be distributed between 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 13, (Reading Day) in 1002 Lincoln Hall.

The college would like to accommodate all requests for extra tickets. We have instituted the following plan in hopes that everyone's ticket needs will be addressed.

- If tickets are available after registration is complete, you will be able to request two additional tickets on ticket distribution day, Thursday, December 13. Requests will be granted on a first-come, firstserved basis. We'll notify you by email if extra tickets are available.
- On graduation day, please check with the ticket office inside Krannert Center for the Performing Arts to inquire about unclaimed tickets. Unclaimed tickets will be distributed beginning at 9:30 a.m.
- On graduation day, once the processional is completed, guests without tickets can enter and sit in any vacant seats.

If family members or guests in your party require special assistance, please contact Krannert Center for the Performing Arts patron services at (217) 333-9716 prior to Monday, Dec. 17, for information regarding parking and accessible seating and entrances. Graduates needing special assistance should indicate so when registering.

Other information about LAS Convocation

A confirmation email with pertinent information about graduation day will be sent to you by Dec. 17. If you have additional questions, please email las-grad@illinois.edu or call 217-333-7108.

Celebrate with a gift helping other students

If you have family members eager to celebrate your accomplishment, consider making a donation to the Lincoln Scholars Initiative. The Lincoln Scholars Initiative helps outstanding students with financial need. Your support helps others follow in your footsteps. For more information, please visit las.illinois.edu/giving.











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