

UNIVERSITY OF THE PHILIPPINES LOS BAÑOS
College, Laguna, Philippines 4031

OFFICE OF THE CHANCELLOR

6 June 2018

MEMORANDUM NO. 070
Series of 2018

TO : All Concerned

SUBJECT : 46th UPLB Commencement Exercises

The 46th UPLB Commencement Exercises will be held on 23 June 2018, Saturday, 4:00 P.M., at the D.L. Umali Freedom Park. Please take note of the following rehearsal schedules:

Activity	Date and Time
Graduate School Hooding Ceremony	21 June 2018 4:00 P.M.
UPLB Commencement Exercises <i>Note: Attendance of members of the Working Committees in the rehearsal is required.</i>	22 June 2018 1:30 P.M.

Below are additional information relative to the conduct of the Commencement Exercises:

I. Student Survey

The Office of the Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs (OVCAA), thru the Offices of the University Registrar and the College Secretaries, conducted an online survey among 3,000 prospective graduates last April 2018 to get their opinion on how the commencement program can be shortened. The results are as follows:

OPTIONS	RESULTS (%)
A. The usual practice (9.5 hours) The usual student processional; everyone's name is called to receive his/her diploma on stage	35
B. No student processional (5.5 hours) Students are already seated in the quadrangle before the start of the program; everyone's name is called to receive his/her diploma on stage	53
C. Conferment of degree by College/degree	5.9

program (4 hours) The usual student processional; conferment of degree by college while students are standing up; only honor students receive diploma on stage; individual distribution of diploma at the college level	
D. Graduation ceremonies at the college level (2 hours) Students are already seated in the quadrangle before the start of the program; conferment of degree by college while students are standing up; only honor students receive diploma on stage; graduation ceremonies to be conducted at the college level	5.1

Based on this, Option B will be followed. There will be no processional. All students will be led to their seats before the program starts. Only graduates who are present on the day of the event will be called on stage to receive the diploma (dummy).

II. Faculty Participation

Being an academic activity, all faculty members are enjoined to participate in the Commencement Exercises. Please wear the appropriate academic costumes listed below:

Activity	UPLB Executive Committee and College Secretaries	All Other Faculty Members/Officials
Graduate School Hooding Ceremony	Cap and Gown	Cap and Gown
UPLB Commencement Exercises	Cap and Gown	Sablay

III. Campus Preparation

The University is expecting hundreds of visitors during this occasion. Kindly ensure that landscaping and surrounding areas are well maintained.

Thank you for your usual support and cooperation.


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Chancellor

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