Forty-sixth Annual Commencement
Chase Center on the Riverfront
Sunday, January 29, 2017

Graduate students in the following colleges: Business, Education, Health Professions, Social and Behavioral Sciences and all graduating students in the College of Arts and Sciences~ 1:00 p.m.

Wilmington University is pleased that you are taking part in the forty-sixth annual commencement exercises, and we are confident that this event will be memorable for you and your guests. Please review the following information to ensure that you are prepared for the event. You are also asked to share pertinent information with your guests. PLEASE NOTE: All guests must be seated prior to the procession or they will be asked to wait until the invocation has been delivered to be seated.

~ General Information and Instructions ~

Location and Arrival:
Directions to the Chase Center on the Riverfront can be found on our website www.wilmu.edu/graduation/directions/aspx. Please report by 12:00 noon for check-in, robing assistance, and line-up instructions. The ceremony begins promptly at 1:00 p.m. with the procession. Participants who arrive late may not be able to be in the procession. The ceremony generally lasts a minimum of one hour.

Commencement Attire:
Caps, gowns, and hoods will be mailed to your home address. Orders are processed as petitions to graduate are received. Please contact Jostens Customer Service (800-854-7464) directly if you have not received your package by Friday, January 13, 2017. You must contact Jostens by that date so they can re-send in time. If your package has still not been received by Friday, January 20, 2017, please contact Megan Hamilton in the Office of the Registrar (302-356-6721) no later than Monday, January 23, 2017, to make alternate arrangements.

Guest Tickets:
Guest tickets are enclosed and must be presented at the Wilmington Hall and overflow seating entrances. Graduates do not need a ticket. Please note that all guests require a ticket to enter the ceremony. Wilmington University is not responsible for lost or misplaced tickets.

Diplomas:
All academic and financial obligations, including exit counseling for financial aid, must be met before your diploma is issued. All diplomas are mailed to the address you provided.

Honors:
Undergraduate students eligible for honors will be given their honor cord when they check in with the Registrar’s staff.

Procession:
At 1:00 p.m. the procession will begin. The marshals will lead you to your seat. Please remain standing until the National Anthem is completed and the invocation has been given.

Picture Restrictions:
Please note that because Wilmington University staff are required to immediately either reset or break down the stage area (depending upon the ceremony), the stage and the area in front of it will not be available for picture taking after the ceremony.

Important Miscellaneous Information:
The President will hand out the diploma covers, but he will not be shaking hands. Please do not leave children unattended.

Watch Commencement Live Online!
If your guests are not able to attend the commencement ceremony in person, they will be able to watch it live at http://www.wilmu.edu/graduation/live. The video can be viewed for 60 days.

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