

Students,

We're almost there! Here is the latest information you need to know about Spring Commencement 2021 in Cardinal Stadium. Watch your email for another update next week and be sure to check out all of the content posted to the <u>commencement website</u>.

**TICKETS:** Tickets are required for guests. Graduates are allowed a maximum of eight (8) tickets. Ticket information is posted at <a href="https://louisville.edu/commencement/ticket-information">https://louisville.edu/commencement/ticket-information</a>

**PHOTOS:** A professional photographer from Pro Pics will photograph each graduate as you cross the stage and after exiting the stage. Graduates will receive one free 5x7 photograph. To make sure Pro Pics has the most accurate contact information to send your photo proofs and free print, please visit <a href="www.UofLphotos.com">www.UofLphotos.com</a> to fill out your information. Check out more details and read about our virtual photo booth online at <a href="https://louisville.edu/commencement/coverage-events">https://louisville.edu/commencement/coverage-events</a>

**GRADUATE SEATING:** Graduates will be seated as they arrive for the ceremony. Seats cannot be "saved." If you want to sit with someone, you must arrive together.

**WEATHER:** Ceremonies will be held rain or shine. Umbrellas, ponchos, raincoats and something to cover or wipe down wet seats are allowed. If there is severe weather, safety is our first concern: Please read our inclement weather policy here: http://louisville.edu/commencement/inclement-weather-plan

**LIVESTREAM:** Ceremonies will be livestreamed here: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCUJOhNXYFGHDSJNTMdV95kQ/live

**REQUIRED ATTIRE:** Graduates are required to wear UofL's official cap and gown to participate in the ceremony. Students who did not order a cap and gown before the April 1 deadline should refer to <a href="https://louisville.edu/commencement/ordering">https://louisville.edu/commencement/ordering</a> for information on the late apparel request process.

**INFORMATIONAL VIDEOS:** Short videos demonstrating commencement procedures (in lieu of a rehearsal) will be available in early May. Keep an eye on the <u>commencement website</u>.

**MASKS AND SOCIAL DISTANCING:** Covid-19 protocols require all graduates and guests to wear a mask while in Cardinal Stadium and to honor physical distancing guidelines *regardless of vaccination status*. Make arrangements to meet with family and friends at an off-site location following the ceremony as congregating will not be allowed in Cardinal Stadium.

**CLEAR BAG POLICY:** Only clear bags are allowed in Cardinal Stadium. Guests and graduates may bring one (1) clear bag such as a 1-gallon clear Ziploc-style storage bag or a 12x6x12 inches clear tote bag. Attendees will be asked to return non-approved bags or other items to their vehicle.



Additional details can be found here: <a href="https://gocards.com/sports/2018/9/7/clear-bag-policy.aspx">https://gocards.com/sports/2018/9/7/clear-bag-policy.aspx</a>

**FOOTWEAR:** Wear appropriate footwear. While there are no restrictions on footwear, be mindful that the ceremony will take place on the football field. You will be walking on many different surfaces.

**T-SHIRTS:** Class of 2021 graduation t-shirts are now available to order here: https://louisville.edu/studentaffairs/forms/ubm/shirts Order yours by May 16!

Visit <a href="http://louisville.edu/commencement">http://louisville.edu/commencement</a> for the most updated information. Email <a href="mailto:commence@louisville.edu">commence@louisville.edu</a> with further questions.

Thank you,

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