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Commencement spring ceremony for undergraduates

Candidates for all bachelor's and associate degrees will graduate on **Saturday, May 10, 2025**, at 8:00 p.m. in Memorial Stadium, 701 E. 17th Street in Bloomington. The procession begins at 7:15 p.m.

The ceremony will be outdoors, unless there is severe weather, in which case you will be directed to a morning or afternoon indoor ceremony. You do not need tickets, and there are no reserved seats. You may invite as many guests as you wish.

Traffic patterns around Memorial Stadium will be modified on Saturday. Arrive early.

Determine your eligibility

Candidates completing degree requirements between January 1 and August 31 are invited to participate in Spring Commencement. Candidates for all associate and bachelor's degrees should attend the undergraduate ceremony. Candidates for all master's, doctorate, and specialist degrees; Ph.D.'s; artist diplomas; and performer diplomas should attend the graduate ceremony on May 9.

Candidates who have completed degree requirements between September 1 and December 31 are invited to participate in the Winter Commencement ceremony. There is no summer ceremony.

Schedule

5:30 p.m. Graduates report for lineup in Simon Skjodt Assembly Hall., 1001 E. 17th Street, the building directly east of Memorial Stadium. Family and friends of graduates may enter the stadium, where uniformed ushers will help them find seats. Guests are asked to wait until their parties are complete before being seated. Saving seats is not allowed in Memorial Stadium.

Graduates will follow posted signage leading to the North Lobby then stop to complete an information card for GradImages, the Commencement photographers. GradImages provides graduation portraits taken free of charge for graduates and their families for purchase. Print or digital photographs will be available for order after the ceremony.

Graduates will be directed to have photos taken, and then they will follow posted signage to find their school's designated lineup space within the arena. Graduates should stand with their school and wait for further instructions.

It's important to arrive on time so you can have your photo taken, receive your diploma cover and other items, line up with your school, and receive instructions.

7:15 p.m. School processions begin. Students must arrive by **6:30 p.m.** in order to complete all necessary pre-Commencement activities in time to join the procession.

8:00 p.m. Ceremony begins. The ceremony includes the procession of the platform party (those sitting on stage), a student address, induction of the graduates into the IU Alumni Association, and the conferral of degrees.

Participating schools

College of Arts and Sciences
Indiana University Eskenazi School of Art, Architecture, and Design
Indiana University Hamilton Lugar School of Global and International Studies
The Media School
Indiana University Kelley School of Business
School of Education
Indiana University Luddy School of Informatics, Computing, and Engineering

Indiana University Jacobs School of Music
School of Nursing
School of Optometry
Indiana University O'Neill School of Public and Environmental Affairs
School of Public Health
School of Social Work

Degrees being conferred

All bachelor's degrees
All associate degrees

Accessibility questions? gradada@iu.edu

Other questions? iudegree@iu.edu; go.iu.edu/may10ugrad

Where to sit



Guest seating

Guest seating is offered on a first-come, first-served basis. Ushers will be stationed throughout the building to direct all guests to the best possible seats.

Venue staff are trained to assist with special seating for guests in wheelchairs and with limited mobility. Please contact us at gradada@iu.edu with any questions.

Graduate seating

Graduate seating is arranged by school and occupies the field in Memorial Stadium. Students do not line up alphabetically. They process through a number of doors, which means that a graduate may wind up anywhere within a school's section.

Commencement day reminders: for graduates

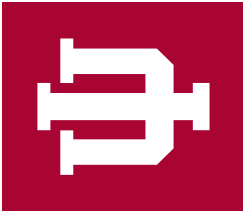
- Do not bring umbrellas, backpacks, or any other personal items, as they cannot be stored during Commencement.
- Wear business or business-casual attire with comfortable—though formal—footwear.
- All degree candidates in attendance are expected to stay for the entire ceremony.
- No alcoholic beverages are permitted at Commencement.
- Signs, flags, placards, and banners are not permitted. Additionally, packages, wrapped gifts, noise makers, weapons, balloons, and outside food and beverage are prohibited.

Commencement day reminders: for guests

- Guest seating is offered on a first-come, first-served basis. Come early for the best seat.
- Given the size of the Commencement audience, large parties are not allowed to save seats. Instead, we ask groups to gather outside and come in together, asking an usher to help find group seating.
- Because of the large number of participating graduates, we are unable to introduce graduates by name, except for doctoral/Ph.D. graduates.
- No alcoholic beverages are permitted at Commencement. Signs, flags, placards, and banners are not permitted. Additionally, packages, wrapped gifts, noise makers, weapons, balloons, and outside food and beverage are prohibited.
- Strollers are not permitted inside the venue.
- Guests may purchase flowers for their graduate at the kiosk at Memorial Stadium.

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2025 IU Bloomington Commencement Pre-Event Traffic

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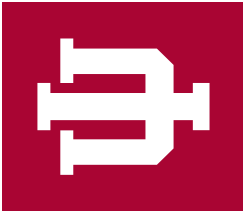
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Pre-Event Traffic Pattern

-> One way traffic
- Direction of entrance into parking lots
- 🚧 Traffic barrier placed by police

- Heavy traffic congestion is expected. **PLEASE ARRIVE EARLY.**
- The Orange Lot through Gate 4 will be reserved for dropoff and ADA parking only.
- One-way traffic patterns will go into effect a minimum of 2 hours prior to the event.
- 17th Street will be one-way east from N. College Avenue to Fee Lane (two lanes).
- Northbound traffic on Dunn Street will not be allowed to turn left/west onto the SR 45/46 Bypass.





2025 IU Bloomington Commencement Post-Event Traffic

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Post-Event Traffic Pattern

- ←..... One way traffic
- Direction of exit from parking lots
- 🚧 Traffic barrier placed by police

- Please be patient when exiting the stadium parking lots.
- Follow instructions provided by law enforcement assisting with post-event traffic.
- 17th Street will be one-way west from Gate 4 to College Avenue.
- Woodlawn Avenue heading southbound to 10th Street will be one-way (two lanes).
- Some parking lots may be exited in only one direction. Study the green arrows and traffic barriers carefully to plan your route away from Memorial Stadium.

