

Attending Winter Commencement

Winter Commencement, also called December Commencement, will be held on **Saturday, December 17, 2022,** at 10 a.m. in Simon Skjodt Assembly Hall, 1001 E. 17th Street in Bloomington.

There is one ceremony for all degree candidates. You do not need tickets, and there are no reserved seats. You may invite as many guests as you wish. Graduates rent their academic apparel at GradFair or on the Herff Jones website, herff.ly/iu.

Determine your eligibility

Candidates who have completed degree requirements between September 1 and December 31 are invited to participate in the Winter Commencement ceremony.

Will your name be printed in the program?

Students who complete all requirements **and** apply to graduate by their programs' stated deadlines will have their names printed in the Commencement program. If you're not sure if you met that deadline, please contact the recorder's office in your school. If your name has changed since you became an IU student, please contact the Commencement team at iudegree@indiana.edu to notify us no later than Monday, November 21.

Schedule

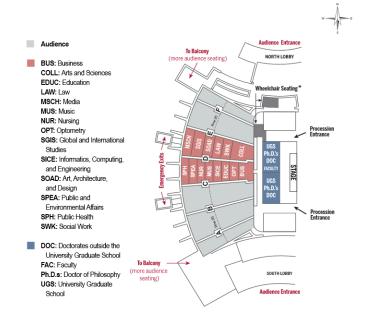
8 a.m. Simon Skjodt Assembly Hall opens to guests. Friends and family proceed to the seating area. Graduates report for lineup in Wilkinson Hall, east of Simon Skjodt Assembly Hall, no later than 8:30 a.m. During lineup, graduates are directed to their specific school locations, designated by bright red banners, to form the processions.

9:15 a.m. School processions begin.

10 a.m. Ceremony begins. The ceremony includes the procession of the platform party, a student Commencement speaker, induction of the graduates into the IU Alumni Association, and the conferral of degrees. Names of doctoral degree recipients are the only graduate names that are announced. The ceremony will last approximately 90 minutes.

11:30 a.m. After the ceremony, graduates can wait for family and friends outside Simon Skjodt Assembly Hall.

Where to sit



*More wheelchair seating is located on the loge level, south end.

Seating map of Simon Skjodt Assembly Hall is tentative and subject to change.

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.

Special seating is available for guests in wheelchairs and with limited mobility. Visit our website for more info.

Graduate seating

Graduate seating is arranged by school and occupies the floor and some of the stands. 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 and comfortable—though formal—footwear with your cap and gown.
- All degree candidates in attendance are expected to stay for the entire ceremony.
- No alcoholic beverages are permitted at Commencement.
- After the ceremony, please remember to return your apparel (except for caps and undergraduate stoles) in the postagepaid packaging provided by Herff Jones.

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.
- No alcoholic beverages are permitted at Commencement. Please do not bring signs, packages, or large bags.