



**SCHOOL OF
THE ARTS
AND ARCHITECTURE**

2009 Commencement Information

Saturday, June 13, 4 pm in Dickson Court North (Perloff Quad). Catherine Opie will be the keynote speaker.

TICKETS ARE NOT REQUIRED

Eligibility

All students who graduated in Fall 2008 or Winter 2009 as well as those students who are degree candidates for Spring or Summer 2009.

UNDERGRADUATES: Spring 2009 and Summer 2009 candidates must have declared their candidacy with the Registrar's Office via URSA OnLine, or with the Office of Student Services (Broad Art Center, room 2200). Check with the Office of Student Services at the beginning of May to confirm that you are on the graduation list.

MASTER'S AND DOCTORAL CANDIDATES: Candidates for Master's and Doctoral degrees will be identified by their individual departments. Check with your departmental counselor to be sure you are on your department's list.

Please Note: If you have placed a restriction on your name, it will not appear on the Registrar's Office graduation list or in the Commencement Program. Latin Honors students (Summa Cum Laude, Magna Cum Laude, and Cum Laude) with this restriction must obtain grade point verification from the Office of Student Services in order to obtain their gold fourragere from Graduation Etc. If you wish to remove this restriction, you may do so through URSA OnLine under "privacy options."

Caps and Gowns

Caps and gowns can be ordered at Graduation Etc. on the A level of Ackerman Union, Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. through Commencement Day or online at www.uclastore.com. For questions regarding cap and gown rental/sale, call (310) 825-2587. Rented commencement regalia must be returned to Graduation Etc. by 5:00 p.m., Friday, June 19. Failure to do so will result in a hold on your diploma until the regalia is returned and a \$50 late fee paid.

BACHELOR'S UNIT (cap, gown, and tassel) can be purchased for \$26 plus tax. MASTER'S UNIT (cap, gown, hood, and tassel) can be rented for \$32 and the DOCTORAL UNIT (cap, gown, hood, and tassel) can be rented for \$35.

Caps and Gowns

BACHELOR OF ARTS (BA): brown tassel; MASTER OF ARCHITECTURE (M.ARCH): violet tassel with violet hood trim; MASTER OF ARTS (MA): black tassel with white hood trim; MASTER OF FINE ARTS (MFA): black tassel with brown hood trim; DOCTOR OF MUSICAL ARTS (DMA): pink tassel with pink hood trim; DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY (Ph.D): gold tassel with blue hood trim.

Gold Fourragere

For undergraduates, the fourragere is a braided cord worn over the left shoulder signifying that the wearer has been awarded graduation honors. The Registrar's Office will supply Graduation Etc. with a list of those Spring and Summer candidates who, as of the end of Winter Quarter, have met the criteria for graduation honors.

Photography

Formal or candid portraits can be scheduled at the Campus Photo Studio on the A level of Ackerman Union. Sittings may be arranged in person or by telephoning (310) 206-8433. Academic attire will be furnished without charge for use in the Campus Photo Studio. Portrait prices vary according to individual needs.

During the commencement ceremony, there will be a designated area from which photos and videos can be taken by family and friends. There will be an official photographer from **Bob Knight PhotoMarketing, Inc.** who will photograph each student as they come on stage. Your name card, which will be given to you at the department check-in table, will be used to order proofs of the photo taken of you. Please fill out the card if you would like a proof that will be available within ten hours. There is no obligation to purchase any photos when you request a proof.

Announcements

Announcements embossed with the UCLA emblem can be purchased at Graduation Etc., (310) 825-2587. Certificates of appreciation for your parents or others who have shown their support during your college career are available in the Campus Photo Studio. Call (310) 206-8433 or go to www.uclastore.com.

Class Rings

Class rings are custom made and vary in price. Order from the Jostens counter located in Bearwear on the B level of Ackerman Union.

Diplomas

It is not possible to process final grades and to prepare degree lists in time to present diplomas at the commencement ceremony. Approximately three months after the end of the term, students may pick up their diplomas at the Registrar's Office on campus, or arrangements can be made to have the diploma delivered by certified mail. To check the availability status of your diploma, call (310) 825-8883. For more detailed information regarding diplomas, go to <http://www.registrar.ucla.edu/faq/diplomafaq.htm>

Accommodations for Persons with Disabilities and the Elderly

The Office of Students with Disabilities (OSD), located in Murphy Hall room A255, provides information regarding assistance for individuals with visual and mobility impairments. Arrangements, such as special parking, can be made for the elderly and those with health limitations. Wheel chairs can be rented from Pico Rentals, (323) 936-4104. Information pertaining to these arrangements or any additional requests you may have can be obtained from the Office of Students with Disabilities, (310) 825-1501 (voice phone) and (310) 206-6083 (TDD). Parking for the disabled will be available in Lot A.

Commencement Day

Only those students in academic regalia will be allowed to march in the ceremony. **ALL STUDENTS**, please arrive by 3:15p.m. **UNDERGRADUATES** will meet on the walkway outside of Dodd Hall across from Murphy Hall. **GRADUATE STUDENTS** will meet in the lobby of Dodd Hall. Look for the appropriate department signage and check-in with your counselors at designated tables as soon as you arrive. You will be given a colored card with your name on it. Hold onto this card as it will be used by the Chair of your department during the ceremony when individual names are called. After check-in, go to the area for your major designated by a sign. **It is important that you stay within your major group.** The counselors will direct you to form lines for the processional.

Weather. Since the ceremony is outdoors and the weather can be quite variable, please encourage your family and guests to dress accordingly. The ceremony will take place in the venue rain or shine.

Valuables: Please DO NOT bring a purse or valuables with you. There will be no place to check such items.

Processional: You will be led by two Chancellor's Marshals to Perloff Quad, up the center aisle, where the ushers will direct you to your seats. Remain standing while the academic party proceeds to the stage. Be seated following the National Anthem.

Program: At the appropriate time, you will be directed by the ushers to stand by rows and proceed to the left side of the stage. You will give your colored card to your department Chair at the podium who will read your name. Proceed across the stage to the Dean to receive a certificate and then back to your seat.

Candidates for Master's degrees will be presented first, followed by the confirmation of degrees.

Candidates for Bachelor's degrees will be presented last. After the confirmation of Bachelor of Arts degrees, there will be the traditional “tassel-turning ceremony” (right to left).

Recessional. Students will walk out first, led by the Chancellor’s Marshals. The academic party will remain standing during the recessional and then exit.

Reception

Following the ceremony, everyone is invited to join the graduates, their families, friends, faculty and staff at a reception at Coral Tree Walk, located north of the Sculpture Garden in front of Macgowan Hall and behind Perloff Hall.

Areas in the Sculpture Garden will be designated by department signs indicating where you can plan to meet your family and friends.

Parking

A parking fee of \$9 will be charged for each car coming on campus for Commencement. The designated parking areas will be Lots 2 and 3. Parking for the disabled will be in Lot A. Parking permits may be purchased in advance from Parking Services and Central Ticket Office starting May 11.

If you have any questions, please contact the Office of Student Services at (310) 206-3564. Also check the School of the Arts and Architecture website www.arts.ucla.edu/summary/commencement2009.html