February 2018

Dear Family,

Congratulations to you as your son or daughter prepares to graduate with a Bachelor of Science degree in Human Ecology from Cornell University. I am delighted to invite you to attend Commencement at 11:00 am, on Sunday, May 27, 2018 outside in Schoellkopf Stadium. Immediately following the event at the stadium, our college will hold its own ceremony at Newman Arena in Bartels Hall, across the street from the stadium starting at 12:30 pm.

This packet contains a “checklist” directing you to the commencement website for many important details about the weekend’s events for you and your family. Also enclosed is a sample of a formal announcement card you may order at any time, and a flyer from the Cornell Store.

Tickets are not needed for the Commencement ceremony on Sunday at the stadium. However, seating is on a first-come, first-serve basis, so we encourage you and your family to arrive at the stadium between 8- 9:30 am. The procession of nearly 6,000 students will begin arriving at the stadium around 10:00 am with the ceremony taking place from 11:00-12:00 pm.

The Commencement Office will send an email to your son or daughter directing them to the commencement website, with specific information. For any questions regarding the university ceremony, refer to, www.commencement.cornell.edu or call 607.255.9541.

When the university’s ceremony has ended, you are invited to come to Newman Arena in Bartels Hall for a smaller ceremony for Human Ecology graduates. It is at this ceremony that our graduates will be individually recognized. As they cross the stage, a photographer will take their picture. A proof of this picture and an order form will be mailed to the graduate later in the summer so that he or she may purchase a copy if desired. Your student’s diploma will be mailed to the home address on file in mid to late June.

Tickets are not necessary for The College of Human Ecology ceremony, but seating is limited and I encourage you to arrive as early as you can. Seating for guests will be available to the left and right of the stage in the bleachers. A light lunch will be provided. The floor seating is reserved for the graduates and for mobility-impaired guests. Reservations for the mobility-impaired seating section at the college ceremony (two tickets per graduate) must be made in advance by emailing humanecologyseating@cornell.edu. Any arrangements you make regarding access for mobility-impaired guests to the university ceremony will not carry over to the college ceremony; you must also notify the college of your needs so that we can accommodate you as quickly as possible.

I look forward to meeting you and sharing this special day with you and your student.

Sincerely,

Alan Mathios, Ph.D.
Rebecca Q. and James C. Morgan Dean
College of Human Ecology

Enclosures
Cornell University
Commencement Weekend 2018
May 25, 26, 27
www.commencement.cornell.edu for links to all information

Student Checklist
Prior to Commencement Day

● February 1 - April 15
ORDER CAP & GOWN
***deadline is April 15***

● May 23 - May 26
Pick up CAP & GOWN, 10am-6pm
Teagle Hall, multi-purpose room

Commencement Day: Sunday, May 27

9:15am
Students go to Arts Quad, wearing cap & gown, to line up with college

9:40am
Procession to Schoellkopf begins

10:00am - 11:00am
Procession arriving at Schoellkopf

11:00am - 12:00pm
Commencement Ceremony

Following Commencement Ceremony
Review college & department events as some take place immediately following the ceremony, so students may have another event to attend when Commencement ends at noon.

CAPS & GOWNS
MUST be returned by 5pm at campus locations!

DIPLOMAS are mailed in late June to the home address on file in Student Essentials.

Congratulations, Graduates!

Family Information

● WEEKEND OVERVIEW: Review our Plan Your Weekend for tips to guide you during your visit.

● EVENTS: Plan your itinerary from Events & Schedule, including Senior Convocation on Saturday, Commencement on Sunday, and College Events on Fri/Sat/Sun.

● PARKING: Parking is free and open on campus during the entire weekend. Review parking for specific details and allow extra driving time to and around campus due to large numbers of visitors.

● ACCESSIBILITY: Request accessibility arrangements for guests who cannot walk distances, climb many stairs, will be using a wheelchair, or use sign language.

● DINING: View many weekend dining options on & off campus.

● LODGING: View lodging options, including residence halls. The Statler Hotel is not available.

● TICKETS: Tickets are not needed for the Commencement Ceremony at Schoellkopf Stadium, and there is no limit to number of guests.

● SEVERE WEATHER PLAN: If Sunday's weather is deemed too unsafe to hold Commencement at the stadium, we will enact the severe weather plan. Refer to the website for important details.

Commencement
Sunday, May 27, 2018

8:00am-9:30am
Guest Arrival Time
Guests will park and ride on buses from campus parking lots to Schoellkopf Stadium. Buses begin at 7:00am. Schoellkopf opens at 8:00am. Guests should be in seats by 9:00am, 9:30am latest.

10:00am-11:00am
Procession into Schoellkopf
Watch the jumbotron to see your graduate enter!

11:00am-Noon
Commencement Ceremony

12:30am-3:00pm
After The Ceremony
College & department events take place throughout the weekend, with the majority following Commencement. Many students & families will have a Sunday afternoon event to attend, while others will be done with events when Commencement ends at noon.

Visit the Commencement Website at www.commencement.cornell.edu for information and links to all weekend information, FAQs, and more!

Office of Commencement Events
607-255-9541
commencement@cornell.edu
MAY 2018 GRADUATES

Now’s the time to order your Cornell graduation announcements & class rings!

See opposite side for order instructions.

A. Personalized Graduation Announcement
Our announcement is designed to tell your friends and family about your upcoming graduation ceremony. Your custom announcement is personalized with your name, degree, major, ceremony information, and is engraved with the University seal on the outside. Inner and outer envelopes are included with each announcement.

B. Announcement Cover
The black cover keeps one of your announcements protected for a keepsake of your graduation day.

C. Return Address Labels
These labels have your name, address, city, state and zip along with the University seal in the upper left corner.

D. Envelope Seals
Put the final touch on the announcement inner envelope with an elegant seal.

E. Thank You Notes
A traditional way to say “thank you” to those who helped make your graduation a special event.

F. Certificate of Appreciation & Cover
Honor your loved ones for their support with a special certificate. Printed on quality paper with a gold engraved seal. This set includes a vinyl cover making it a perfect way to show your appreciation.
**Ordering Graduation Announcements & Class Rings**

**Cornell University**

*Dear Family and Graduating Student:*

Cornell University congratulates you and your student on this upcoming graduation! The **University Commencement Ceremony** will be held on Sunday, May 27, 2018. Order personalized Graduation Announcements and a Class Ring from Balfour, Cornell’s preferred vendor.

**Announcements:** The personalized announcement shares news of academic achievements with family and friends. When ordering you will need to know the student's full name, degree, and major.

**Class Rings:** A class ring serves as an important symbol of accomplishments while at Cornell University. Each design has detailed engraving and craftsmanship that make a class ring something to wear with pride.

**Order both announcements and rings online:** [www.balfour.com/cornell](http://www.balfour.com/cornell) or by phone: 800-433-0296.

**Order in person at The Cornell Store any time.**

**Order an Announcement Package and Save!**

**Save 20%**

**Premium Package A**
- 50 Announcements
- 50 Thank You Notes
- 50 Inner Envelope Seals
- 50 Return Address Labels
- 1 Announcement Cover
- 50 Inner/Outer Envelopes

$164.99

$206.88 if purchased separately

**Save 18%**

**Classic Package B**
- 35 Announcements
- 35 Thank You Notes
- 35 Inner Envelope Seals
- 50 Return Address Labels
- 1 Announcement Cover
- 35 Inner/Outer Envelopes

$124.99

$153.53 if purchased separately

**Save 15%**

**Essential Package C**
- 25 Announcements
- 25 Thank You Notes
- 25 Inner Envelope Seals
- 50 Return Address Labels
- 1 Announcement Cover
- 25 Inner/Outer Envelopes

$99.99

$117.95 if purchased separately

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**Announcement Text**

*The Faculty, The Board of Trustees, And President Martha E. Pollack announce that (Graduate’s Name) is a candidate for the degree of (Graduate’s Degree) in (Graduate’s Major) at the One Hundred Fiftieth Cornell University Commencement Ceremony Sunday, the Twenty-seventh of May Two Thousand Eighteen Eleven o’clock in the morning Schoellkopf Stadium Ithaca, New York*
Why a Diploma Frame?

Celebrate Your Achievement
Graduation is an exciting and emotional time. A diploma says you’ve made it! A diploma frame is the perfect way to protect, display, and celebrate this achievement.

A Memorable Gift
A diploma frame is a thoughtful gift that any grad will appreciate. It will bring back memories that last a lifetime!

Expertly Crafted Frames
- Official Cornell University frames.
- High-quality wood framing, custom-made in the USA by Church Hill Classics.
- Museum-quality and archival matting and mounting materials to protect your diploma from damage and discoloration.
- Removable back so you can easily insert your diploma.

You’ll love our frames, we guarantee it!

Additional products available online at store.cornell.edu and at The Cornell Store.

The Cornell Store, 135 Ho Plaza, Ithaca, NY 14853

844-688-7620 - store.cornell.edu