

UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAM

GRADUATION CELEBRATION FAQs

Does the Business School plan any events for graduating seniors?

Yes, the Foster School is planning a graduation celebration on Sunday, June 7, 2009. More information will be available from our Web site in early spring.

So, is this a Foster School 'Graduation Ceremony'?

No, it is not. There will be a processional, faculty will be present, and students will walk across the stage while their names are read. But, there will be no diplomas handed out, and degrees will not be conferred. The celebration is an opportunity for the School to give individual recognition to each of its graduates.

When will degrees be conferred?

Degrees for all UW graduates from the 2008-2009 school year will be conferred at the UW Commencement Exercises on Saturday, June 13, 2009. For more information about UW Commencement, follow this link:
<http://www.uwgraduation.com/>

Do I have to wear a cap and gown to the Business School's Celebration?

Yes, you should plan on wearing cap and gown to the celebration. You can find information about ordering academic apparel on the Commencement Office website:
<http://www.uwgraduation.com/>

What else happens at the celebration?

The Associate Dean for Undergraduate Programs and the Dean of the Business School will make remarks. The celebration is also a great time to introduce your friends and family to the business students, faculty and staff that you've gotten to know over the years.

Do graduates need to arrive early?

Yes, graduates need to arrive one hour before the activities start.

How many people can I invite; do I need tickets?

At this time we are not limiting the number of people you can invite and you do not need to get tickets to attend. *You must RSVP online during Spring Quarter to let us know you are attending.*

I, or one of my guests, have special needs (special seating, sign language interpreter, etc). How do I request accommodations?

To request disability accommodation, contact the Disability Services Office at least ten days in advance at: 206.543.6450/V, 206.543.6452/TTY, 206.685.7264 (FAX), or dso@u.washington.edu.

Is there parking?

Yes, parking is available on campus. Since our event is on a Sunday, on-campus parking is free! For guests with special needs, please request a UW disabled parking designation at any campus gatehouse. Follow this link to see campus parking lots near Hec Edmundson Pavilion:
<http://www.washington.edu/home/maps/?EDP>

Will I be photographed walking across stage? How can I purchase those photographs?

Yes. We will arrange for a photographer to be there. Check back in early spring for details.

Can I attend both the UW Commencement Exercises and the Business School's Graduation Celebration? Or, do I have to choose one?

Of course, you are welcome to attend both events! These events are meant to be complementary and not mutually exclusive.

My family is coming from out of town. Do you know where they can stay? How about directions to the UW?

For details about staying in and getting around Seattle, follow this link:
http://bschool.washington.edu/visitor_info/