



One Hundred Seventy-Ninth

Commencement

Saturday, May 3, 2008

10 a.m. & 3 p.m., Assembly Hall, Bloomington Campus

Commencement Information for 2008 Graduates

Please read carefully. If you have any questions after reading this brochure, call the IU Alumni Association at (812) 855-4664 or visit www.indiana.edu/~ceremony.

The Commencement ceremony will be held Saturday, May 3, 2008, in two sessions in Assembly Hall.

Session I will begin at 10 a.m., with the following schools participating:

Kelley School of Business
School of Education
School of Health, Physical Education,
and Recreation
School of Law
Jacobs School of Music
School of Nursing
School of Public and Environmental Affairs
School of Social Work
University Graduate School
(*Ph.D.—majors in above areas*)

Session II will begin at 3 p.m., with the following schools participating:

College of Arts and Sciences
School of Continuing Studies
School of Informatics
School of Journalism
School of Library and Information Science
School of Medicine
School of Optometry
University Graduate School
(*Ph.D. in above areas and Master of Arts*)

Schedule of Commencement Activities

FRIDAY, MAY 2

3–4:30 p.m.
Graduation Send-Off
IU Auditorium

5–5:45 p.m.
Baccalaureate Ceremony
IU Auditorium

SATURDAY, MAY 3

Indiana University Bloomington
Commencement
Session I—**10 a.m.**
Session II—**3 p.m.**
Assembly Hall

Session I

10 a.m.
Lineup for the procession starts at
8:30 a.m. in Harry Gladstein Fieldhouse.
The procession will start at 9:15 a.m.

Session II

3 p.m.
Lineup for the procession starts at
1:30 p.m. in Harry Gladstein Fieldhouse.
The procession will start at 2:15 p.m.

Students are eligible to participate in the 2008 Commencement ceremony when they have completed the requirements for graduation in May 2008. Persons who may complete their work for a degree at the end of the 2008 summer sessions are invited to participate. Those who may complete their work in December 2008 will be invited to participate in the December Commencement.

Caps and gowns are to be worn by all candidates attending the Commencement ceremony. This apparel may be rented from only the IU Bookstore. Rental charges for academic apparel are: bachelor's and associate, \$67.98; master's, \$76.98; and doctoral, \$91.98; plus 6% Indiana sales tax. Ordering deadline is April 4. You may also reserve your academic apparel online at: <http://www.herffjones.com/college/graduation/index.cfm>. Online reservations will not be available after midnight April 4. Each bachelor's and associate rental will include a stole of gratitude to be worn by the graduate during the ceremony. The graduate may keep the cap, tassel, and stole of gratitude. *All undergraduate gowns and master's and doctoral gowns and hoods must be returned to the Harry Gladstein Fieldhouse immediately following the ceremony.* Souvenir stoles may be purchased as keepsakes or gifts at a cost of \$22.98 plus 6% Indiana sales tax each.

Apparel will be ready for distribution at the Harry Gladstein Fieldhouse starting at 9 a.m. on Tuesday, April 29. Distribution times are from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., Tuesday, April 29, Wednesday, April 30, Thursday, May 1, and Friday, May 2. On Saturday, May 3, distribution will start at 7:30 a.m. in the Harry Gladstein Fieldhouse. Distribution on Saturday will be at your own risk, since very little time will be available prior to the ceremony.

Students tentatively selected to receive degrees with honors are entitled to wear fourragères, which are cords worn on the left shoulder during the Commencement ceremonies. Cream and crimson cords indicate highest distinction; cream cords indicate high distinction; crimson cords indicate distinction. These honor cords must be obtained from the deans of the respective schools before Saturday, May 3. The recipients may keep the fourragères.

Commencement announcements are available from the IU Bookstore.

Attendance at Commencement is not compulsory, but you are encouraged to participate.

Tickets are not needed.

Procession (lineup locations). Candidates will assemble in the lineup area one and a half hours before the Commencement ceremony begins. The procession begins 45 minutes before the start of the ceremony. *Do not be late.* The processional lineup is located in the Harry Gladstein Fieldhouse.

Candidates are not to wear caps and gowns into the lineup area. Caps and gowns must be carried into the lineup area and robing will take place there. Your lineup position will be identified by your school banner or sign. School marshals will be available to assist you in the lineup for the procession. Only graduates in appropriate academic attire will be permitted in the seating area for the ceremony. The Commencement committee requests your assistance in upholding the dignity and tradition of the Commencement ceremony by refraining from any activity that may be distracting or inappropriate. Candidates will be lined up by degree within each school, with the candidates receiving the highest degree at the front of the line (doctoral, master's, bachelor's, associate).

The ceremony. Graduates and faculty are to be seated as they reach their places. As the platform group reaches the stage, all graduates and faculty will rise and remain standing through the invocation and the singing of "The Star-Spangled Banner." Following the charge to the class, President Michael A. McRobbie will recognize the dean of each of the schools, who in turn will introduce the candidates and present them to the president. After the president confers the degrees, the candidates will immediately grasp the tassels of their caps with the left hand and transfer them to the left side of their caps. (All candidates for higher degrees will wear the tassels on the left side from the beginning.)

All candidates must remain in their seats until after the recessional of the platform party, which closes the ceremony. Your attendance indicates your intention of not leaving Assembly Hall before the end of the ceremony, which is estimated to take one and a half hours. By leaving early you will disrupt the ceremony and show disrespect for your fellow candidates.

Special seating is available for wheelchair users and those persons in need of a sign language interpreter. (Wheelchairs are not provided by the university.) Prior arrangements should be made with the Indiana University Alumni Association by calling (812) 855-4664.

Diplomas will be prepared for those who have completed the requirements for their degrees in May, or through the University Graduate School during the months of January through May. They will be mailed from the registrar's office following certification of the degrees and printing of the diplomas.

No alcoholic beverages will be permitted in Assembly Hall. Please have respect for your fellow candidates and refrain from bringing alcoholic beverages to the ceremony. You will be asked to leave the Commencement ceremony if you do not abide by this policy.

Trustee election information.

All Indiana University degree holders are eligible to vote in the 2008 alumni trustee election. Ballots will be mailed after the Commencement ceremony, but not later than June 9, to all degree holders, including those who received degrees in December 2007 and May 2008.