FALL COMMENCEMENT
Friday, December 15, 2017

SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES:

Main Ceremony
Louisiana State University does not conduct a Main Ceremony in December. All degrees are conferred at the diploma ceremonies.

Diploma Ceremonies

8:30 a.m.  College of Human Sciences and Education
          Location: Maravich Assembly Center
          Assemble: Assembly Center’s northwest portal no later than 7:30 a.m. Procession begins at 8:15 a.m.

9:00 a.m.  College of Agriculture
          Location: Maddox Fieldhouse
          Assemble: Maddox Fieldhouse no later than 8:15 a.m.

         Manship School of Mass Communication
          Location: Student Union Theater
          Assemble: Student Union Theater no later than 8:15 a.m.

         College of Music and Dramatic Arts
          Location: Shaver Theatre
          Assemble: Room 135 Music & Dramatic Arts Building no later than 8:15 a.m.

         School of Veterinary Medicine
          Location: Room 1212-C, School of Veterinary Medicine
          Assemble: Room 1212-C, School of Veterinary Medicine no later than 8:45 a.m.

11:30 a.m.  E. J. Ourso College of Business
            Location: Maravich Assembly Center
            Assemble: Assembly Center no later than 10:45 a.m. Procession will begin at 11:15 a.m.

12:30 p.m.  College of Art and Design
            Location: Student Union Theater
            Assemble: Student Union Theater no later than 11:45 a.m.

College of the Coast and Environment
            Location: Dalton Woods Auditorium, Energy, Coast & Environment Building
            Assemble: Rotunda Lobby no later than 12:00 p.m.

College of Science
            Location: Maddox Fieldhouse
            Assemble: Maddox Fieldhouse no later than 11:45 a.m. Procession begins at 12:20 p.m.

3:00 p.m.  College of Engineering
            Location: Maravich Assembly Center
            Assemble: Maravich Assembly Center’s southwest and northwest portals no later than 2:15 p.m.

6:00 p.m.  College of Humanities and Social Sciences
            Location: Maravich Assembly Center
            Assemble: Assembly Center’s southwest and northwest portal no later than 5:15 p.m.

COMMENCEMENT INFORMATION: (www.lsu.edu/commencement)
Candidates Not Attending Commencement Day

Pick-Up Diploma: 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m., December 18 - 22, then again beginning January 3, 2018. We are located in the Office of the University Registrar, Room 112 Thomas Boyd Hall.

Mail Diploma: Email (stauzi1@lsu.edu) your full name and mailing address to the Office of the University Registrar. Diplomas will be mailed out on or near January 12 only if a written request has been submitted and received. Diplomas will not be mailed to local addresses.

Cap & Gown
All degree candidates are expected to wear a cap and gown for all commencement ceremonies. The cap tassel should be suspended over the left front of the cap. Students receiving a bachelor’s or a master’s degree should contact the LSU Bookstore for information on the purchase of the cap and gown. Doctoral degree candidates should contact the LSU Bookstore for the deadline date for renting or purchasing a doctoral cap & gown. Doctoral degree candidates should not purchase or rent the doctoral hood. The hood will be presented at the ceremony.

Disabled Graduates & Guests
Disabled graduates: Contact your dean’s office to arrange for accommodations at the diploma ceremony.

Purchasing
Parking: Parking on campus for graduation is available in all student lots at no charge and with no permits required. Graduates and their families and friends may park in any unmarked lot or in any unmarked, unpainted, or unreserved space along any street on campus. Graduates and their guests should plan to arrive early to avoid traffic delays. Persons who have disability license plates/placards/or State issued disability IDs will be allowed to park in designated areas close to the PMAC. The West Stadium Lot (next to the Athletic Administration Building) and the Burden Oaks Lot (adjacent to the Natatorium) have been identified as the ADA parking options for this December. Please see the below map for the location of these lots. Parking is limited to a first come/first served basis. A shuttle service will be provided to those in these lots. Additionally, a drop off point will be made available to anyone who does not have the appropriate credentials or to those guests needing assistance who may not qualify for the credentials. For additional information or questions, contact parking at parking@lsu.edu.

Sign Language: Sign language interpreting services must be requested for the college diploma ceremony. Communication arrangements must be made at least one week in advance of commencement.

Special Seating: Special seating is available for guests who use a wheelchair and for guests unable to walk long distances or climb stairs. Due to limited space, guests with disabilities are permitted to have only one nondisabled person to sit with them in the designated area. Contact your dean’s office for information on accommodations at the diploma ceremony.

Other: If other special accommodations are needed, requests should be made at least one week in advance of commencement.

Family Educational Rights & Privacy Act of 1974 (Buckley Hold)
Students with a hold on their records should be aware that their name will be withheld from any commencement publications (e.g., commencement programs, web) and news releases (e.g., newspapers). Also, your name and home mailing address will not be given to the commencement ceremony photographer. If you would like to reconsider the decision you have made, submit a written request to the Office of the University Registrar, Room 112 Thomas Boyd Hall by October 21.

Financial Obligations
All fees, fines and other financial obligations should be paid before December 12. Your diploma cannot be released until all obligations have been met.

Diplomas will be shipped to the mailing address on file with the Office of the University Registrar. Diplomas will not be mailed to local addresses.

Invitations/Announcements
Orders will be taken beginning September 23 and will be shipped out approximately three weeks after the order has been made.

Balfour orders:
- credit card orders: 1-866-225-3687
- fax orders: 1-800-278-2612
- web orders: www.balfour.com
- mail orders: check or money order - Balfour, 7101-A Intermodal Dr., Louisville, KY 40258

LSU Bookstore orders:
- Costumer service: 225/578-7412

LSU Alumni Association
Lod Cook Alumni Center 225/578-3838 www.lsualumni.org
3838 West Lakeshore Dr.

Photographs
Proof of your graduation pictures will be emailed (if provided an address) 2 weeks after commencement. It is very important that you fill out all contact information on the cards provided at commencement so you can receive your proofs. To order your pictures please visit www.events.lifetouch.com.

Student Aid
Prior to graduating, students who borrow through the Federal Stafford Loan Program must complete an online “Exit Counseling” session at https://studentloantransitionguide.usafunds.org.

Contact: Undergraduate Admissions & Student Aid 225/578-3103 financialaid@lsu.edu