To: Prospective GraduatesFrom: Kate O'Sick, Dean for Student Affairs

SUNY ADIRONDACK COMMENCEMENT PROGRAM

Congratulations on your graduation from SUNY Adirondack! Your Graduation Ceremony will be Saturday, May 13, 2023 at 11:00 am. Please read below for important information regarding the ceremony:

WHEN & WHERE

Saturday, May 13, 2023 at the Cool Insuring Arena in downtown Glens Falls. Please arrive by **10:15 a.m.**; use the entrance on the Glen Street hill, and check-in will be inside those doors. There are a few wheelchair accessible parking spots available (first come, first serve) directly in front of the Cool Insuring Arena in the small parking lot. Downtown Glens Falls offers parking within walking distance to the arena. The parking lot behind St Mary's Church is also available to students and families.

WHEN YOU ARRIVE

There will be a registration table located in the hallway inside the doors off the Glen Street Entrance where graduates will check-in and receive their line-up card. Graduates will then proceed to line up by major and degree.

*It is important to hold on to your line-up card because you will be giving the card to the person announcing the names during the ceremony. *

REHEARSAL

There is no rehearsal. Please arrive promptly at 10:15 a.m.; instructions will be given during line-up.

TICKETS

You won't need any! Because we will be at the Cool Insuring Arena, there will not be a restriction on the number of guests who can attend.

SPECIAL SEATING

There will be limited seating on the arena floor for guests with special needs or those who may experience difficulty in negotiating the steep arena stairs. There is an elevator in the northeast corner of the building (near Section X). Please contact *Deanna Campney at 518-681-5649* by 4pm Thursday, MAY 11 to confirm the number of seats you will need for family and/or guests. Students needing wheel chair accessibility for the processional can contact Deanna Campney at 518-681-5649 for additional information.

PICTURES and LIVE FEED

A photographer will be present on graduation night to take pictures of you as you receive your degree. Please refer to the program you will receive the night of graduation for information on how to access graduation photo(s).

There will be a live feed of the event available for all to view. Link information available in the coming days.

REGALIA

If you have not already purchased your cap and gown, please visit our campus Book Store ASAP. The (estimated) \$62.50 fee includes your cap, gown and tassel.

Graduates will be invited to toss their caps in the air at the conclusion of the ceremony. Please make sure your name is on the inside of your cap....it'll make finding it that much easier ⁽²⁾

PROCESSION

At 10:30 a.m., we will line up according to major, and will enter the arena precisely at 11:00 a.m. Please follow the instructions of the faculty and staff who are responsible for the procession.

CERTIFICATES and DEGREES

- The Vice President will ask the class to rise. Class will remain standing while the President confers the Certificates and Degrees.
- Faculty Marshals will lead students to stage, graduating student will give a line-up card to Associate Vice President Wildey (who will be announcing the names).
- When the announcer calls your name, you will advance to the President at the lectern.
- When you reach the President, we encourage you to receive the degree cover in your left hand and shake her hand with your right. You will then continue past the President, off the stage and back to your seat.

PLEASE NOTE: All degrees will be mailed approximately 4-6 weeks following Graduation. Please be sure the Registrar's Office has your correct mailing address.

AFTER GRADUATION

We wish you the very best in your endeavors. Congratulations and stay in touch!



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