COMMENCEMENT: KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

VENUE, CEREMONY DETAILS, AND PARKING

All Commencement ceremonies are held in the Robins Center Arena, located at 365 College Rd, Richmond, Virginia, 23173.

- The Main ceremony for graduates of the School of Arts & Sciences, the Robins School of Business, and the Jepson School of Leadership Studies is Sunday, May 11, at 2 p.m. Doors open at noon.
- The School of Professional & Continuing Studies ceremony is Saturday, May 10, at 9 a.m. Doors will open at 7:30 a.m.
- The Richmond Law ceremony is Saturday, May 10, at 2 p.m. Doors will open at 1 p.m.

As is routine for the Robins Center, guests will pass through metal detectors when entering the venue, including if reentering.

Late arrivals and reentry will be handled by event staff on a case-by-case basis to minimize disruptions and noise. Commencement staff will guide you to enter at an appropriate time.

Parking information is available <u>here</u>. Accessibility information is available <u>here</u>.

TICKETS AND SEATING

Each guest for the main Commencement ceremony on Sunday will be required to present their Commencement ticket, which has a unique code and will be scanned by event staff upon entry.

All seating is general admission.

PERMITTED AND PROHIBITED ITEMS

Purses and crossbody bags are allowed and subject to a visual inspection.

Backpacks as well as outside food or drinks or reusable cups and water bottles are not allowed.

As part of a longstanding policy, noise makers (air horns, cowbells, whistles, etc.), signage of any kind, or any other items that would block a person's view, including large flags and banners, will not be allowed in the Robins Center. This policy applies to all graduates, families, and guests.

Flower bouquets are allowed inside the arena; however, any other packages, balloons, gifts, candy, etc. are not permitted.

If you attempt to bring any of these items into the Robins Center, you will be asked to bring them back to your vehicle or dispose of them prior to entering the arena. For safety and logistical purposes, we are unable to store items for guests. Signage reminding guests of prohibited items will be posted in each parking lot.

Please leave pets and emotional support animals at home. Service animals are allowed.