Spring and Summer Semester Baccalaureate Degree Candidates:

As a candidate for the baccalaureate degree, you are invited to participate in the Spring (Undergraduate) Convocation and your College-level Commencement Ceremony. Academic apparel is required to participate.

Individual recognition is at the College-level Commencement Ceremony; your name is read and photos are taken. If you participate in the Convocation and/or College-level Commencement Ceremony, you are expected to remain for the entire ceremony. Please allow one hour for the Convocation and at least two hours for the College-level Commencement Ceremony.

Convocation provides our university community the opportunity to celebrate important occasions in our history and in the lives of our students. The Spring Convocation for all Graduating Seniors is Friday, May 3, 2019 at 1:00 p.m. at the Jack Breslin Student Events Center. The President presides over this ceremony. The ceremony features a guest speaker to deliver the keynote commencement address and a graduating senior to deliver the Class of 2019 student address. The ceremony also includes the recognition of the Board of Trustees Award recipients, national and international scholarship/fellowship recipients, Honors College graduates, a “thank you” from the Senior Class Council, and the recognition of all MSU graduates. Seating for graduates is reserved on the arena floor and in the bleachers. Graduates are not seated by college. Graduates must be in academic apparel to participate. Family and other guests are seated in general seating areas on a first-come, first-served basis. The ceremony is ONE HOUR. NO ADMISSION TICKETS are required.

The COLLEGE-LEVEL COMMENCEMENT CEREMONIES are about TWO HOURS. NO ADMISSION TICKETS are required. These ceremonies are Friday, May 3–Sunday, May 5, 2019. Family and other guests are seated in the general seating areas on a first-come, first-served basis. A schedule of the College-level Commencement Ceremonies is included below. College-level contact and ceremony information is included below.

Please note there are specific security rules that vary by facility.

BAGS AND PURSES ARE PROHIBITED from the Breslin Center. Bags and purses are permitted at the Wharton Center and the MSU Auditorium.

There will be metal detectors at all entrances to the Breslin Center. Please plan accordingly for lines into the facility.

Included in this document is information about academic apparel, assembly time and location, name card and photo card distribution, information for graduates with disabilities, Breslin Commencement Shuttle Service (Friday and Saturday), Auditorium Shuttle Service (Saturday), parking, and other important details.

On behalf of the Commencement Committee, I congratulate you on your academic achievement and wish you continued success.

Most sincerely,
John D. Gaboury, Ed.D.
Associate Provost for Academic Services, Enrollment Management, and Academic Initiatives
Chairperson, Commencement Committee
INSTRUCTIONS FOR GRADUATING SENIORS

We ask your cooperation in observing graduation etiquette. Any items visible and worn with your academic regalia should be appropriate to the occasion and not detract from the recognition of your fellow graduating seniors. Do not wear flowers or decorative jewelry on your academic gown. Low-heeled shoes are recommended. Please silence cell phones or other devices. Please be respectful as names are read, so that each and every graduating senior receives the proper recognition. PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE YOUR CEREMONY EARLY!

The academic apparel does NOT have pockets. We ask that you keep this in mind for cell phones.

BEFORE COMMENCEMENT

1. Apply to graduate on the Office of the Registrar's Website: https://reg.msu.edu/StuForms/GradApp/GradApp.aspx on or before the end of the first week of the semester you expect to complete your degree requirements. This will assure your name is included in the commencement program, and that you have a pre-printed name card at the ceremony.

2. Arrange for your cap and gown.
With any questions about academic apparel, please email spirit@msu.edu or call 517-355-5116. The bachelor's cap and gown package is $48.00 plus sales tax. Visit the Official On-Campus Provider of Caps and Gowns, the Spartan Spirit Shop, in-store or on-line at: https://spartanspiritshop.msu.edu/graduation.html.

Spartan Spirit Shop, MSU Union Building (http://www.msuunion.com/), 49 Abbot Road.
Hours: Monday–Friday, 9:00 a.m.–7:00 p.m.; Saturday, 10:00 a.m.–6:00 p.m.; and Sunday, 12:00 noon–5:00 p.m.

You may order announcements and other graduation-related items online at www.michiganstategrad.com.

3. If you are Honor/High Honor: Pickup your honor cords from your Academic Advising/Student Affairs Office within your College. These cords will be available after April 18, 2019.

ACADEMIC APPAREL/ANNOUNCEMENTS

The bachelor's cap and gown package is $48.00 plus sales tax. Visit the Spartan Spirit Shop, in-store or on-line at: https://spartanspiritshop.msu.edu. The last day to order online is Sunday, April 21, 2019.

GRAD FEST is Wednesday, March 20–Friday, March 22 from 9:00 a.m.–7:00 p.m. There are discounts on cap/gown packages, announcements, and other commencement/Alumni related items during this event.

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Questions about cap and gown, please email spirit@msu.edu or call 517-355-5116.

You may purchase other graduation-related items such as personalized announcements, invitations, and diploma frames at the Spartan Spirit Shop. Website: https://spartanspiritshop.msu.edu.
DEGREE CANDIDATES WITH DISABILITIES
Please contact Heather Bailey at hbailey@msu.edu or 517-884-4957 by Monday, April 15, 2019 with requests for accommodations for the ceremony. Requests made after that date will be met when possible.

BRESLIN CENTER
Parking is limited in the area. We encourage all participants and their guests to use commencement shuttle bus service. Shuttle buses are accessible. There is no charge.
Barrier-free parking is located in the Breslin Center lot #63 (EAST SIDE OF THE SERVICE DRIVE/TUNNEL). Please enter from Shaw Lane. Parking in this area is limited to those with a State of Michigan or other State-issued disability placard.

MSU (UNIVERSITY) AUDITORIUM
A ramped entrance is located at the southwest corner of the building.

For students and guests who require an interpreter for the deaf, please contact Heather Bailey at hbailey@msu.edu or 517-353-3993 by Monday, April 15, 2019.

Please consider the Auditorium Commencement Shuttle Bus Service on Saturday, as buses are accessible. Patrons are dropped off in the loop in front of the Auditorium. Please see Campus Map.

WHARTON CENTER
Please park in the Wharton Center ramp (Ramp 3). See Campus Map. The elevator stops at each level. The entrance to Wharton Center is at level two.

For students and guests who require an interpreter for the deaf or hearing impaired, please contact Heather Bailey at hbailey@msu.edu or 517-353-3993 by Monday, April 15, 2019.

COMMENCEMENT SHUTTLE BUS SERVICE FOR BRESLIN CENTER AND AUDITORIUM CEREMONIES
Due to an increased volume of traffic and demand on parking, we strongly recommend the Breslin Commencement Shuttle Bus Service for all Breslin Center ceremonies on Friday, May 3 and Saturday, May 4. Buses are accessible. There is NO CHARGE for the service. See the Campus Map.

Friday, May 3, 11:30 a.m.-10:30 p.m.
• Ramp 5 (Trowbridge Road/Red Cedar Road at the Communication Arts Building). Stops in front of the ramp.
• Lot 79 (south side of Spartan Stadium, 325 West Shaw Lane). Stops on Shaw Lane.
• Lot 89 (Commuter lot (south campus)) at the northwest corner of Mount Hope Road and Farm Lane. Stops at Bus Shelters.

Saturday, May 4, 7:00 a.m.-10:30 p.m.
• Ramp 5 (Trowbridge Road/Red Cedar Road at the Communication Arts Building). Stops in front of the ramp.
• Lot 79 (south side of Spartan Stadium, 325 West Shaw Lane). Stops on Shaw Lane.
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Auditorium Commencement Shuttle Bus Service for the ceremony on Saturday, May 4
Buses are accessible. There is NO CHARGE for the service. See the Campus Map.

Saturday, May 4, 8:30 a.m.-2:00 p.m.
• Lots 39 and 40 (at Shaw Lane between Farm Lane and Red Cedar Road). Stops in front of the International Center.
• Lot 41 (at Shaw Lane between Farm Lane and Science Road). Stops on Science Road at the Abrams Planetarium.

**PARKING**

**Breslin Center**
Parking in Breslin Center lot 63 requires a permit. This includes State of Michigan (or other State)-issued disability parking plate or placard; please enter from Harrison Road. See the Breslin Diagram.

For general parking, please refer to the Campus Map.

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**MSU Auditorium**
Parking is in Ramp 2 (one block west of the MSU Auditorium and Farm Lane Road), lot 9 at Giltner Hall, and lots 39, 40, and 41 on Shaw Lane. See the Campus Map. Shuttle service is available from the Shaw Lane Lots 39, 40, and 41.

**Wharton Center**
Parking is in Ramp 3 (adjacent to Wharton Center). See the Campus Map.

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**SPRING CONVOCATION FOR GRADUATING SENIORS**

Friday, May 3, 1:00 p.m. at the Breslin Center

The ceremony is **ONE HOUR** and **NO ADMISSION TICKETS** are required.

Ceremony for all graduating seniors. Graduates take the Service Drive (south side of Breslin Center, outside) down to the Arena level. Proceed to the Arena floor and to the graduate seating areas—seating on the floor and in the bleachers. Graduating seniors are not seated by college at the Spring Convocation. You must be in academic apparel to be seated in the reserved seating on the Arena floor and in the bleachers.

Students should exit the Breslin Center through the Service Tunnel/Drive at the south side of the building.

Family and other guests are seated in general seating areas on a first-come, first-served basis. Children and other guests are NOT permitted in degree candidate seating areas.

**Represent the Class of 2019! Be the Convocation Student Speaker**
The Senior Class Council will select a graduating senior to represent the Class of 2019 at the Convocation. Speeches are to be no more than five minutes and should be attention-grabbing, personally meaningful and meaningful to your fellow graduating seniors. Application and detailed information is on the Commencement website at [http://commencement.msu.edu/speakers_and_honorarydegrees](http://commencement.msu.edu/speakers_and_honorarydegrees).

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**DIPLOMAS**

Mailed approximately one month after your degree has been awarded. Questions regarding your Graduation Application or Diploma, please email the Registrar’s Office at reg@msu.edu or call 517-355-3300.

**COMMENCEMENT OFFICE**

commencement@msu.edu
517-353-3993

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COLLEGE-LEVEL INFORMATION
For the safety and security of ALL commencement participants and guests, please follow these instructions:

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Graduate Recognition: One of the most important hallmarks of Michigan State University Commencement Ceremonies is that graduates are recognized individually. In so that this University promise of individual student recognition is fulfilled, we ask everyone; students and guests, to be respectful as each graduate’s name is read. DO NOT LEAVE YOUR CEREMONY EARLY!

Professional photographers will provide at least one photo: as you receive the token diploma from your dean or the posed photo before you return to your seat.

Ceremonies begin promptly at the times listed below. Students should arrive in time for assembly as instructed below. General seating is available to your family and other guests on a first-come, first-served basis.

Babies, children, and other guests are NOT permitted in degree candidate assembly or seating areas.

COLLEGE-LEVEL CEREMONIES SCHEDULE
NO ADMISSION TICKETS are required. Please allow at least TWO HOURS for each ceremony.

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COLLEGE-LEVEL INFORMATION

AGRICULTURE AND NATURAL RESOURCES
Saturday, May 4, 2019 at 7:30 p.m.
Breslin Center, 534 Birch Road
Stratton Lee, Assistant Director
517-355-0234 or leestrat@msu.edu

Assembly: Candidates should arrive at Breslin Center by 6:30 p.m. to clear security measures. Report to the Arena level by 7:00 p.m. for the processional. Take the Service Tunnel/Drive on the south side of the Breslin Center down to the Arena level. Line up behind your department/major standard in the Service Area corridors. Faculty marshals will assist in assembly. **Name cards and photo cards are distributed at assembly.**

Exit: Students leave the Breslin Center through the Service Tunnel/Drive at the south side of the building.

RESIDENTIAL ARTS AND HUMANITIES
Saturday, May 4, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.
Wharton Center, Cobb Great Hall, 766 East Shaw Lane
Niki Rudolph, Director
Contact: Pam Newsted - 517-355-0210 or newstedp@msu.edu

Assembly: Candidates assemble at 6:15 p.m., Stoddard Grand Tier Lounge for the processional. Follow graduate signage to the third floor. Name cards and photo cards are distributed at assembly. Following the ceremony, a reception will be held in the Grand Foyer (Great Hall lobby).

ARTS AND LETTERS
Sunday, May 5, 2019 at 9:30 a.m.
Breslin Center, 534 Birch Road
Bethany Judge, Assistant Dean
Contact: Laura Borchgrevink, 517-355-5360 or borchgr2@msu.edu

Assembly: Candidates assemble at 8:45 a.m., on the Arena floor. Take the Service Tunnel/Drive on the south side of the Breslin Center down to the Arena level. Report to the Arena floor, where name cards are distributed by major. Candidates sit by major after receiving your name card and photo card. Name cards and photo cards are distributed at assembly.

Exit: Students leave the Breslin Center through the Service Tunnel/Drive at the south side of the building.

BROAD COLLEGE OF BUSINESS
Saturday, May 4, 2019 at 4:00 p.m.
Breslin Center, 534 Birch Road
Shannon Brecheisen, Director, Undergraduate Academic Services
Contact: Deb North – 517-432-6477 or northd@msu.edu

Assembly: Candidates assemble at 3:00 p.m. on the Arena floor. Take the Service Tunnel/Drive on the south side of the Breslin Center down to the Arena level. Report to the Arena floor, where name cards and photo cards are distributed by major. Candidates sit by major after receiving your name card and photo card.

Exit: Students leave the Breslin Center through the Service Tunnel/Drive at the south side of the building.

COMMUNICATION ARTS AND SCIENCES
Friday, May 3, 2019 at 7:30 p.m.
Breslin Center, 534 Birch Road
Jennifer New, Assistant Director - 517-355-1794 or jnew@msu.edu

Assembly: Candidates assemble at 6:30 p.m. on the Arena floor. Take the Service Tunnel/Drive on the south side of the Breslin Center down to the Arena level. Report to the Arena floor, where name cards and photo cards are distributed by major. You will be directed to your seating area.
Exit: Students will leave the Breslin Center through the Service Tunnel/Drive at the south side of the building.

EDUCATION
Sunday, May 5, 2019 at 4:00 p.m.
Breslin Center, 534 Birch Road
Susan Dalebout, Assistant Dean
Contact: Robin Lenkart – 517-884-3951 or lenkartr@msu.edu

Assembly: Candidates assemble at 3:00 p.m. Take the Service Tunnel/Drive on the south side of the Breslin Center down to the Arena level. Pick up your name card and photo card in the Service Area. Line up for the processional behind your major/cohort signs in the Service Area corridors.
Exit: Students leave the Breslin Center through the Service Tunnel/Drive at the south side of the building.

ENGINEERING
Sunday, May 5, 2019 at 12:30 p.m.
Breslin Center, 534 Birch Road
Amanda Idema, Assistant Dean
Contact: Mary Pease - 517-355-6616 ext. 3 or Peasem@msu.edu

Assembly: Candidates assemble at 11:30 a.m., Arena level for the processional. Take the Service Tunnel/Drive on the south side of the Breslin Center down to the Arena level. Line up behind your department/major standard in the Service Area corridors. Name cards and photo cards are distributed at assembly.
Exit: Students leave the Breslin Center through the Service Tunnel/Drive at the south side of the building.

JAMES MADISON
Saturday, May 4, 2019 at 12:30 p.m.
Wharton Center, Cobb Great Hall, 766 East Shaw Lane
Contact: Justin Burkett – 517-353-3381 or burket16@msu.edu

Assembly: Candidates assemble at 11:30 a.m., Stoddard Grand Tier Lounge for the processional. From the Grand Foyer (Great Hall lobby), take the stairs up to the Stoddard Grand Tier Lounge (balcony level). Name cards and photo cards are distributed at assembly. Following the ceremony, there will be a reception at Case Hall. Invitations with details will be sent mid-March.

LYMAN BRIGGS
Saturday, May 4, 2019 at 10:00 a.m.
MSU (University) Auditorium, 542 Auditorium Road
Karen Mills, Assistant Dean
Contact: Allison Stockmeyer – 517-353-6480 or stockme5@msu.edu

Assembly: Candidates assemble at 9:00 a.m., Fairchild Theatre for the processional. Enter through the MSU (University) Auditorium main entrance on Farm Lane. Report to the Fairchild Theatre. Name cards and photo cards are distributed at assembly.

MUSIC
Saturday, May 4, 2019 at 4:00 p.m.
Wharton Center, Cobb Great Hall, 766 East Shaw Lane
Contact: Michael Kroth, Associate Dean, 517-884-9449 or kroth@msu.edu; or Talitha Trout, Director, 517-432-2616 or TalithaT@msu.edu

Assembly: Candidates assemble at 3:30 p.m., Stoddard Grand Tier Lounge for the processional. From the Grand Foyer (Great Hall lobby), take the stairs up to the Stoddard Grand Tier Lounge (balcony level). Name cards and photo cards are distributed at assembly.

NATURAL SCIENCE
Saturday, May 4, 2019 at 12:30 p.m.
Breslin Center, 534 Birch Road  
Heidi Purdy, Director  
Contact: Beth Reid - 517-355-4470 or reideli1@msu.edu

Assembly: Candidates assemble at 11:30 a.m. Arena level for the processional. Take the Service Tunnel/Drive on the south side of the Breslin Center down to the Arena level. Line up behind your department/program standards in the Service Area corridors. Name cards and photo cards are distributed at assembly.  
Exit: Students leave the Breslin Center through the Service Tunnel/Drive at the south side of the building.

NURSING  
Saturday, May 4, 2019 at 9:30 a.m.  
Wharton Center, Cobb Great Hall, 766 East Shaw Lane  
Contact: Laurel Switzenberg – 517-353-4827 or switzen1@msu.edu

Assembly: Candidates assemble at 8:30 a.m., Stoddard Grand Tier Lounge for the processional. From the Grand Foyer (Great Hall lobby), take the stairs up to the Stoddard Grand Tier Lounge (balcony level). Name cards and photo cards are distributed at assembly.

SOCIAL SCIENCE  
Saturday, May 4, 2019 at 8:30 a.m,  
Breslin Center, 534 Birch Road  
Michael Connelly, Assistant Dean for Student Affairs  
Contact: Jennifer Abbott - 517-353-4823 or AbbottJS@msu.edu

Assembly: The Breslin Center doors will open at 7:00 a.m. Candidates start assembling at 7:00 a.m., Arena level. Take the Service Tunnel/Drive on the south side of the Breslin Center down to the Arena level. Report to the Arena floor where name cards and photo cards will be distributed by major.  
This ceremony is about 2 ½ hours.  
Exit: Students leave the Breslin Center through the Service Tunnel/Drive at the south side of the building.

VETERINARY TECHNOLOGY  
Friday, May 3, 2019 at 4:00 p.m.  
Wharton Center, Pasant Theatre, 766 East Shaw Lane  
Contact: Jeanne (Jeannie) Walser - WalserJe@cvm.msu.edu

Immediately following the ceremony, there will be a reception in the lobby.
If you do not have an accessible parking permit, and have someone with limited mobility, please drop that person on the north side of the Breslin Center.

LEGEND
★ Entrance/Exit
B Shuttle Stop
Accessible Parking

Service Entrance
(Arena level)
**Driving Directions to Michigan State University**

**From Traverse City or Points North via I-75**

**From Detroit or Points East via I-96**

**From Grand Rapids or Points West via I-96**

**From Flint or Points East via I-69**

**From Kalamazoo or Points South via I-69**

**From Jackson or Points South via US-127**
Proceed north on US-127 to East Lansing. Take the Trowbridge Road exit and continue east to Michigan State University.