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WHEN ARE FINAL GRADES DUE FOR THE FALL SEMESTER?

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FAQ - COMMENCEMENT:

Where is commencement held and will there be a rehearsal?

- The commencement ceremony will be held in the Bernard G. Johnson Coliseum.
- There will **NOT** be a dress rehearsal for commencement.

Where should degree candidates report on the day of commencement?

- To the Health & Kinesiology Center (HKC) located across from the coliseum.
In the case of rain, go the playing floor of the Bernard G. Johnson coliseum.
There will be marshals available to line up the degree candidates.

What time should I arrive for commencement?

- Arrive **ONE HOUR** prior to your ceremony. (Your family is able to be seated in the coliseum at that time.)

What should I bring to commencement?

- Cap (**including tassel**) and gown.
(Tassel is worn on your left temple until you are recognized on stage during commencement.)

Masters and Doctoral candidates should bring their hoods to commencement.

Where can I get my cap and gown or my hood?

- Contact the Barnes and Nobles Bookstore on campus. Phone # is: 936-294-1862.

Will my family be required to have tickets to attend commencement?

- No, tickets are **NOT** issued and there is **NOT** a limit to the number of guests that may attend the commencement ceremony.

Will there be seating in the coliseum and special parking available for my guests with disabilities?

- Yes, seating will be available on the coliseum floor for guests with disabilities. Only one family member will be allowed to sit with your guest on the coliseum floor. The entrance for this seating is located at the East Tunnel of the Bernard G. Johnson Coliseum.
- Guests with disabilities should arrive at the coliseum 45 minutes prior to the ceremony in order to be aided in the parking lot by our university police staff and the coliseum staff.

Will there be a professional photographer at commencement?

- Yes, a professional photography company is commissioned for the event. Photos will be taken of each candidate individually.

How will degree candidates be recognized with honors at the commencement ceremony?

- Degree candidates recognized at commencement with honors (Latin, Academic Distinction, and Honors/Honors Program) are corded on stage during the commencement ceremony. (CORDS ARE PROVIDED BY THE UNIVERSITY.)
- The designation of honors at the commencement ceremony is decided by the honors status as of the 12th class day of the graduating semester (Fall/Spring semesters).

What is the order of the ceremony?

- The marching order for the commencement ceremony is as follows:
 - President's Platform Party
 - University Faculty
 - Doctoral Candidates
 - Masters Candidates
 - Undergraduate Candidates (in alpha order by college)

How much time should I allot for the commencement ceremony?

- Approximately two hours

How do I know that my name is on the list for commencement?

- If you have applied for December 2008 graduation, and are currently enrolled in the course work needed to meet degree requirements and are not more than 9 grade points deficient in major, minor, or overall, then your name will remain on the commencement program.

FAQ DIPLOMAS AND DEGREES:

When can I expect to receive my diploma?

- All diplomas will be mailed to the permanent address listed on the student's academic record approximately three weeks after degrees are posted. It is the student's responsibility to update their permanent address. An additional fee of \$7.50 is charged to re-send a diploma whose address was incorrect at the time of mailing.

What size will my diploma be?

- The diploma size is 11 X 14. The name to appear on the diploma will be the name as it appears on the Application for degree.

What name will appear on my diploma?

- The name that you indicated on your degree application will be the name to print on your diploma. Submitting an Official Change of Name form to the Registrar's Office does NOT change the name on your degree application.

WHEN ARE FINAL GRADES DUE FOR THE FALL SEMESTER?

- FINAL GRADES ARE DUE ON **FRIDAY, DECEMBER 19!**
- IF YOU HAVE APPLIED FOR DECEMBER 2008 COMMENCEMENT, ARE CURRENTLY ENROLLED IN ALL REQUIRED COURSE WORK, ARE NOT MORE THAN 9 GRADE POINTS DEFICIENT IN MAJOR, MINOR, OR OVERALL, YOU MAY PARTICIPATE

IN THE COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY. HOWEVER, YOUR DEGREE WILL NOT BE POSTED UNTIL A FINAL REVIEW OF YOUR ACADEMIC RECORD IS PROCESSED BY THE REGISTRAR'S OFFICE!

WHEN CAN I CHECK MY FINAL GRADUATION STATUS?

- **CHECK YOUR FINAL GRADUATION STATUS ONLINE BY JANUARY 8, 2008!**
- Log into **SamWeb**, select **Student Records**, then select **Graduation Status**.

DECEMBER 2008 COMMENCEMENT CEREMONIES

- There will be **THREE** commencement ceremonies for December 2008.

COLLEGE OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Friday, December 19, 2008, 6:00 p.m. ceremony

COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

COLLEGE OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

Saturday, December 20, 2008, 10:00 a.m. ceremony

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

COLLEGE OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE

Saturday, December 20, 2008, 2:00 p.m. ceremony

- **All commencement ceremonies are held in the:**

Bernard G. Johnson Coliseum
1964 Bobby K. Marks Drive
Huntsville, Texas 77340

See listing below of majors under their respective colleges to determine your commencement ceremony. You MUST attend the ceremony of your declared major.

All degree candidates need to bring to the ceremony: cap and gown (including tassel). Masters and Doctoral candidates should also bring their hoods.

DECEMBER 2008 COMMENCEMENT CEREMONIES

FRIDAY EVENING CEREMONY – DECEMBER 19, 2008

Arrival time: 5:00 p.m. at the Health and Kinesiology Center (HKC)

Arrive at the HKC: Across from the Bernard G. Johnson Coliseum. Family and friends may be seated in the coliseum at this time.

COLLEGE OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Baccalaureate Degrees:

Accounting
Banking and Financial Institutions
Economics
Finance
General Business
Human Resource Management
International Business
Management
Management Information Systems
Marketing

Master Degrees:

Accounting
Business Administration
Finance

SATURDAY MORNING CEREMONY – DECEMBER 20, 2008

Arrival time: 9:00 a.m. at the Health and Kinesiology Center (HKC)

Arrive at the HKC: Across from the Bernard G. Johnson Coliseum. Family and friends may be seated in the coliseum at this time.

COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

Baccalaureate Degrees:

Agriculture:
Agricultural Business
Agricultural Mechanization
Animal Science
Horticulture and Crop Science
Applied Arts and Sciences (BAAS degree)
Art:
Advertising and Graphic Design
Art – Art Photography
Art – Studio Art
Biology
Chemistry (including Forensic Chemistry)
Composite Science
Computer Animation
Computing Science
Dance
Environmental Science
Geography
Geology
Industrial Technology:
Construction Management
Design and Development
Electronics
Industrial Management
Mathematics
Medical Technology
Music

Masters Degrees:

Agriculture
Biology
Chemistry
Computing and Information Science
Dance
Digital Forensics
Industrial Technology
Information Assurance and Security
Mathematics
Music
Statistics

Music Therapy
Musical Theatre
Photography
Physics
Theatre

COLLEGE OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

Baccalaureate Degrees:

Communication
English
Family and Consumer Sciences:
 Fashion Merchandising
 Food Science and Nutrition
 Food Service Management
 Interior Design
History
Journalism:
 Advertising
 Public Relations
Mass Communication
Multimedia Authoring and Communication
Philosophy
Political Science
Psychology
Radio/Television
Sociology
Spanish

Masters Degrees:

Communication
English
Dietetics
Family and Consumer Sciences
History
Political Science
Psychology:
 Clinical Psychology
 School Psychology
Public Administration
Sociology

Doctoral Degrees:

Clinical Psychology

SATURDAY AFTERNOON CEREMONY – DECEMBER 20, 2008

Arrival time: 1:00 p.m. at the Health and Kinesiology Center (HKC)

Arrive at the HKC: Across from the Bernard G. Johnson Coliseum. Family and friends may be seated in the coliseum at this time.

COLLEGE OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE

Baccalaureate Degrees:

Criminal Justice
Victim Studies

Masters Degrees:

Criminal Justice
Criminal Justice and Criminology
Criminal Justice Leadership and Management
Forensic Science
 Security Studies
Victim Services Management

Doctoral Degrees:

Criminal Justice

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

Baccalaureate Degrees:

Interdisciplinary Studies
Health
Kinesiology

Master Degrees:

Administration
Counseling
Counselor Education
Curriculum & Instruction
Health
Instructional Leadership
Instructional Technology
Kinesiology
Library Science
Reading
Special Education

Doctoral Degrees:

Counselor Education
Educational Leadership
Reading

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