Commencement Webinar
WEBINAR
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MONDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2022 | 3 PM
DATES & TIMES

Ceremony 1 - 9 AM
CHSS & CPS

Ceremony 2 - 3 PM
MDCOB & CST
Minute Maid Park
501 Crawford St, Houston, TX 77002
STUDENT CHECK-IN

Ceremony 1 - 7:30 AM
CHSS & CPS

Ceremony 2 - 1:30 PM
MDCOB & CST
University of Houston-Downtown
ATRIUM ENTRANCE
STUDENT ENTRANCE ONLY

Corner of Texas & Crawford
Items to know:

• Only graduating students will be allowed to enter through the Atrium Entrance.
• No guests or children will be allowed to enter through the Atrium Entrance.
• Students should have cap and gown in hand as they go through security.
• Graduating students do not need a ticket to enter the Atrium Entrance as long as they have a cap and gown in hand.
• No bags, coats, umbrellas, or anything you can't take across the stage.
Students will seat in sections 110/111 until the procession begins.
GUEST ENTRANCE

DOORS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Ceremony 1 - 8:00 AM
CHSS & CPS

Ceremony 2 - 2:00 PM
MDCOB & CST

All guests will enter through Home Plate and Right Field Entrances.
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GUEST TICKETS

- Tickets are required to attend.
- All tickets are only electronic in the MLB app.
- Tickets will not be available at Minute Maid Park on the day of the event.
- Complete the ticket request form only if you have not received any tickets (form has been emailed).
- Children two and under do not need a ticket but will have to sit on a person’s lap.
• This event is not open seating.
• Guests must sit in the seat matching the ticket they entered the stadium with.
• Guests with club level tickets will be able to enter through the Premium Entrance.
• All guests will have to go through security to enter the stadium.
• No screenshots of tickets will be accepted, live and activated tickets only.
Everyone entering the park must have an electronic ticket in the MLB app.

Guests will need to have already downloaded the MLB app.

If students purchased tickets for their guests, then guests will need to download the MLB app, create an account, and students will need to forward tickets ahead of time.

Students will not be at the same entrance with their guests.
STADIUM RULES

- Roof will be closed. No heater in the stadium.
- Flowers, balloons, and noise makers are not allowed.
- Diaper bags, strollers, and wheelchairs will be accommodated as the stadium allows.
- No one will be eligible to enter the park early.
- Guests who need special accommodations must inform guests relations upon entry.
- There are three large screens throughout the stadium to project stage video to all seats.
• Bookstore will be open Friday until 5 PM. They will be on-site Saturday.
• Thank You videos are completed and some will be played prior to the start of the ceremony.
• There is no reserved parking for students or guests.
• The ceremony is estimated to last 90 minutes.
• UHD will live stream the event on multiple outlets:
  ◦ uhd.edu/commencement webpage
  ◦ UHD Facebook
STAGE & SEATING

- Student entrance
- Student seating before ceremony
- Video screens
- Student exit
- Stage
- Video screens
- Student seating during ceremony
Q & A FROM STUDENTS

Question - "Can graduates be dropped off at the Atrium entrance?"
Answer: Yes

Question - "Can people move down if seats seem to be empty due to students getting too many tickets?"
Answer: No, guests need to sit in their reserved seat according to their ticket.

Question - "Can we wear a bag (the size of my hand) under my cap and gown?"
Answer: You can wear a bag under your cap and gown but you must be able to get it into the stadium and adhere to stadium guidelines (bag limit 11 X 17).
Question - "Will the school flags be ironed as well to look presentable? In the past events they have been wrinkled."
Answer: Yes, flags are hand stitched and may appear to be wrinkled but are tight due to the fabric and stitching.

Question - "Will the elderly be let in early before the extra foot traffic?"
Answer: No, all guests will have one hour to enter the park and make way to their assigned seats.

Question - "Can you share via e-mail the brochure you issued to students during the live orientation in November?"
Answer: Yes, this document has been posted on the commencement webpage.
Question - "How can I reserve a parking spot during graduation at minute made park?"

Answer: There is no reserved parking for students or guests.

Question - "If you applied for graduation, is there supposed to be an approval email? Why does the graduation status still say pending?"

Answer: Your status in your myUHD portal will not be updated until all class grades have been entered.

Question - "What is the parking situation going to be like for both students and guests?"

Answer: Busy and full. Please allow yourself extra time. It will cost $10 (credit card only) in the official Minute Maid parking lots A, B, & C.
Question - "Can we submit our thank you video via email?"
Answer: No, Thank You videos are completed and we will show SOME of them prior to the start of the ceremony.

Question - "Is there reserve parking space for graduate students?"
Answer: No, there is no reserved parking spaces for graduate students.

Question - "Will grades be posted before December 10th?"
Answer: No, grades are due December 19th at noon.

Question: Will the stage location change, due to more sections of the stadium opened up?
Answer: No, we have erected additional screens to project video stream.
Question - "How can our guests attend the ceremony virtually? Is there a zoom link I may send them?"
Answer: There is no zoom link. UHD will stream the ceremony on UHD's official Facebook page as well as the commencement webpage.

Question - "Will the temperature be set based off of the weather or will it be cold?"
Answer: There is air conditioning but there is no heat.

Question - "Is there free parking available to students or a shuttle?"
Answer: No free parking or shuttle service available.
Question: "Is there anywhere my parents can wait if they come to the commencement ceremony early with me?"
Answer: No, students will be allowed to enter 90-minutes prior to the ceremony and guests will be able to enter 60-minutes prior to the ceremony.

Question - "what is the earliest time we should arrive? Guest needs a wheelchair is seating accessible?"
Answer: All guests can arrive as early as they would like. Doors will open for all guests 60-minutes prior to the start of the ceremony.
THANK YOU!