

College of Applied Health Sciences

2018 Convocation Fact Sheet

- When** Sunday, May 13, 2018 at 1:30 pm.
A livestream video can be viewed at: <http://ahs.illinois.edu/convocation-livestream>
- Where** **State Farm Center** 1700 S. Fourth St. Champaign, IL 61820
- Check-In** Graduates will arrive at 12:30 pm to the tunnel on the east side (Fourth Street) of the State Farm Center. You will receive a reader card that you will present to the person reading graduate names. Staff will be on hand to assist throughout the ceremony.
- Attire** You must wear a cap and gown to participate. If you did not order your cap and gown, please visit this link for distribution dates/times: http://commencement.illinois.edu/students/academic_attire.html.
- Honor Cords** James Scholars or I-LEAP Scholars will be given honor cords to recognize their outstanding accomplishments. If you did not receive them at an awards ceremony, these cords may be picked up in room 118 Huff Hall until 12:00 pm on May 11th or at check in for Convocation on Sunday.
- Procession** When directed, you will march in two lines out of the tunnel to the seating area. There will be staff on hand to assist with the processional. Candidates and faculty members should **remain standing** until instructed to be seated.
- Ceremony** Students who are receiving several types of honors will be asked to stand and be recognized from their seats as a group. Afterward, degree candidates will be asked to stand row-by-row, by major, proceed as directed to a lectern on stage, line up there, and one-by-one hand your name card that will be provided at check-in to a designated reader. When your name is read, you should walk to the center of the stage, receive your diploma cover, shake hands with the Dean and a department representative, then exit the stage, return as directed to your seat and be seated. Ushers will be available to assist.
- Special Needs** Graduates with disabilities who require special assistance to fully participate in the AHS Convocation ceremony should email Don Hardin at dhardin@illinois.edu or call 217-649-4810, prior to the ceremony to make necessary arrangements. We will have a representative of AHS stationed at the east entrance of the State Farm Center (off of Fourth Street) to assist you in joining the procession.
- Guests in wheelchairs, or for whom walking is difficult, may be dropped off outside the ceremony location at the west or east doors. Inside the building, ushers will help direct you to designated seating areas.
- Photos** GradImages™ will be photographing all graduates at the upcoming convocation ceremony. Visit their website, www.gradimages.com and click on the Pre-Event Email Registration. By submitting your information to them early, you can rest assured that picture proofs will be provided to you as soon as they are available after the event. After graduation, you may order online or call 800-424-3686. You can feel confident that GradImages™ will capture your proud moment.
- Recession** Graduates and faculty members will stand in unison. The Dean will lead the faculty off the stage, to the center aisle, and then out into the hall. Graduates will follow row-by-row. In each row, the graduate closest to the center aisle will lead his or her row in following the faculty out the same way as they marched in.

Parking

Free parking is available at the State Farm Center. Guests with a handicap permit on display may park in the north State Farm Center lots. Spaces are limited and available on a first come, first serve basis. For additional parking information, see the [Illinois Campus Map](#) and the [Memorial Stadium Parking Map](#).

Questions

If you have questions about the College Convocation prior to 5:00 pm on Friday, May 11th, please contact Michele Andrews (217) 333-2130 or mldrews@illinois.edu. After that time please visit our webpage: <http://ahs.illinois.edu/convocation>. Information may also be found on our social media pages: Facebook, Twitter, Instagram.