



David L. Boren College of International Studies
May 2023 Convocation Ceremony
Information for Participating Students
Saturday, May 13, 2023 4:00pm
Sharp Concert Hall, Catlett Music Center
500 W. Boyd Street, Norman, OK 73019

Students (BA, BA/MA, MAIS, GAMA, MAIR) in the College of International Studies (CIS) who wish to participate in-person in the International Studies convocation ceremony are required to register for Convocation by April 1 by submitting an online form through the International Studies website via this link:

<http://ou.edu/cis/ias/undergrad-academics/advising/convocation>

*Note that this is a different link/form than the graduation application.

*Candidates must complete this registration to be included in the ceremony program and for their guests to be considered in seating.

**You will also be directed to complete similar (and additional) registration information through either the Graduation Canvas Page (BA students), or a link emailed to you by the Graduation Office (MA students). Please complete graduation registration through both links.

- Participating students must arrive at Catlett by 3:10pm on May 13.
- Candidates will be limited in the amount of guests they can invite; amount and seating arrangements to be determined based on registrations (will likely be 12 guests each).
- **REGALIA:** Candidates must wear Academic Regalia, which can be purchased through Graduation Gear-Up in March or ordered online; check this website for updates:
<https://www.ou.edu/commencement/graduates>
- The IAS Bachelor's tassel is white (same as some A&S degrees), and the Master's tassel is black.
- Master's Students, please purchase and bring your master's hood, as you will be hooded on stage by an IAS faculty member.
- You are welcome to decorate your mortarboard cap, tasteful and family friendly, please!
- **ACCOMMODATIONS:** For disability accessible accommodations or seating for candidates or guests for CIS Convocation, please contact Tracy by April 15.
- **The University-wide Commencement ceremony** is a separate ceremony from Convocation, and is held on Friday evening, May 12. All graduating students may participate in Commencement:
<http://www.ou.edu/commencement>.
- If Guests are unable to come to graduation, they can watch the ceremony **livestream** (link will be sent and posted closer to the ceremony).
- Participating students should watch their OU email for additional updated ceremony information from Tracy. **Several emails will be sent to those students who have registered through the above link by April 1.**
- Please be certain you and your guests are aware that metal detectors and the clear bag policy will be in effect for all venues. More information available at the commencement link above.
- There will be a **CIS pre-graduation reception** on Friday afternoon, May 12. Details will be sent to students who register for CIS convocation.
- The Records Office will mail diplomas to spring candidates who have cleared for graduation approximately ten weeks after the ceremonies. Transcripts with the degree posted will be available around June 1 through the Records Office.

Questions? Contact Tracy Holloway at
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