

ED&IS Commencement * June 14, 2025 at 4:30PM * Wilson Plaza

GRADUATE STUDENT CEREMONY

3:45 p.m. Student line up behind Kaufman Hall

4:15 p.m. Faculty line up in Kaufman Hall

4:30 p.m. Ceremony promptly begins

Who is eligible to participate?

If you graduated in Fall 2024 or Winter 2025, you are eligible. **OR**

If you are a candidate for a degree, you are eligible only if you are:

M.A./M.Ed./MLIS: have successfully completed coursework and have advisor verification of successful exam/portfolio/inquiry/thesis completion prior to Friday, June 13, 2025. MLIS and TCL Fall 2025 graduates may participate only.

Ph.D.: your chair(s) must verify you will file the dissertation no later than September 12, 2025. OSS will verify via email.

ELP Ed.D.: your chair(s) must verify you will be ATC by June 3, 2025 and on Filing Fee for Summer or Fall 2025. OSS will verify via email.

How do I let SE&IS know I am graduating?

You must submit the "[Declaration of Commencement](#)" form **NO LATER than May 9, 2025.**

Can the Privacy Release Status prevent my name from appearing in the commencement program?

In the case that you would NOT wish for your name to be printed in the ED&IS Commencement program, please note this on the [Declaration of Commencement form](#). Otherwise, your name will be printed exactly how you submit it on your Declaration form.

How will my name appear in the program?

Your name will be printed EXACTLY as you print it on the [Declaration of Commencement form](#).

I am not participating but still want my name in the program. What do I do?

Please complete the [Declaration of Commencement form](#). State you are not participating but want your name printed.

Student Speakers

One graduate student speaker from each department will be selected through a peer selection process. Student speaker guests will receive reserved seating. Information will come separately via email. Speakers will be selected by mid- to late-May.

Student Marshals

One graduate student marshal is selected from each department to lead candidates into the commencement ceremony. Student marshals are nominated by department faculty not only for their academic excellence but also for their service to the ED&IS community.

Student Singer

One student singer will be selected from ED&IS to sing "Hail to the Hills of Westwood." Auditions will be submitted via video and an announcement will be sent via email. Student singer guests will receive reserved seating. Submission deadline is set for May 19, 2025.

Parking

Wilson Plaza can be found closest to Lots 4 & 5. The parking fee per vehicle is \$16.

Announcements, Cap and Gown

Check [the Graduation, Etc. website](#) for pricing and ordering information. Graduation Etc. is located in Ackerman Union - A-Level, (310) 825-2587.

What color tassel and hood will I be wearing?

SE&IS degree candidates wear the following:

Degree	Tassel	Hood
MA: HDP, HEOC, SRM, SSCE	Black	White
MEd: MSA, PLI, TCL, TEP	Light Blue	Light Blue
MLIS	Lemon	Lemon
EdD.: ELP (select Doctor of Education)	Gold	Light Blue
PhD.: HDP, HEOC, IS, SRM, SSCE, US	Gold	Dark Blue

MA (HDP, HEOC, SRM, SSCE) students select MA Graduate School of Education & Information Studies

MED (MSA, PLI, TCL, TEP) students select Master of Education

MLIS students select Master of Library & Information Studies

ASUCLA is selling light blue cords, which are unique for ED&IS. They may be purchased [online](#) or at at Grad Etc in Ackerman Union.

Ceremony Photographer

Grad Images, (800) 261-2576

Please remember that each candidate will be photographed and will have the opportunity to purchase prints. Proofs will be e-mailed to you within 48 hours of the ceremony. On the card you receive when lining up at Commencement, please be sure to clearly write your email

on the card. You will also be able to view photos at: <https://www.gradimages.com/universityofcalifornialosangeles>

Diplomas

Diplomas will be available approximately four to six months after graduation. A form is available on the Registrar's website for having your diploma mailed to you.

<http://www.registrar.ucla.edu/Forms/Graduation-and-Diploma>

Disability Requests

If you are a student with a disability, or if you are inviting a guest who needs special assistance to attend Commencement, please call the Center for Accessible Education (CAE) at 310-825-1501, 310-206-6083 (TDD), or stop by A-255 Murphy.

Do guests need tickets to attend?

Tickets are NOT required for this event. Open seating is available on a first come, first serve basis. Guests are encouraged to arrive early to get the seating of their choice.

Does Division of Graduate Education still hold the Doctoral Hooding Ceremony?

Yes. This year's ceremony will be held in Royce Hall on Thursday, June 12, 2025 at 3 p.m. Check-in begins at 1:30 p.m. It is our campus' only university-wide degree conferral ceremony and the only one of its kind in the UC system. Anyone wishing to participate must have filed the dissertation by June 2, 2025 at 5 p.m.. Students are contacted directly by Graduate Division for participation. Information can be found [here](#).