

COMMENCEMENT INFORMATION FOR THE ***CLASS OF 2023***

April 2023



CAMPUS EXPERIENCE

Prepare and relax! In an effort to make commencement as enjoyable as possible, various updates have been made to improve the experience of the day for the graduates and guests.

The **traffic** will be changed to one way for Saturday, May 20. This will allow for a better traffic flow and easier access to designated parking areas. **Parking** will start at the top of campus. A map is provided on the next page.

The **graduate drop off location** is located at the lower Binder Athletic Center entrance.

Hartwick employees will be available to answer any questions and to guide all guests.

Various **photo areas** have been made available. Many of these areas are pop up locations to take memorable photos with family and friends.

Hartwick College lends itself to a beautiful backdrop and everyone should take advantage of it.

Concessions will be available under the auxiliary tent throughout the duration of the ceremony.

CAP & GOWN

The Career Development and Network Engagement Office welcomes all graduates to Cap & Gown Pick Up, taking place on **May 2 and May 3 from 10am - 6pm**. This is a fun and easy way for graduates to get information about senior events, pick up their cap and gown, and complete the first destination survey. All academic regalia was ordered with the completion of the graduation application.

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If any graduate is unable to attend in person on those days, a proxy must pick up the needed materials. The proxy form is available on Hartlink. Without the completed form, the staff are unable to give the cap and gown to another person.

Distribution of college approved honor cords and affinity stoles are the responsibility of the participating department or organization. Graduates should plan to spend between 10-20 minutes at the event. Please do not drop in five minutes before class or five minutes before closing.

NO REHEARSAL

There is **no required rehearsal** for the graduates. The Class of 2023 will be led by class marshals from the 2024 Commencement Committee. Graduates will need to report to Lambros Arena at 10:30am on Saturday, May 20.



PROGRAMS & WATER

A program is placed on each graduate's seat before the processional. Additionally, water is placed under each seat prior to the processional. This is to ensure that hands are free for the processional and encourages engagement throughout the graduation experience.

Remember that graduates will not be able to leave their seat during the ceremony. Please plan accordingly as to not disrupt the program.

MOBILITY DROP OFF

Individuals with mobility limitations can be dropped off closer to the Binder Athletic Center and receive golf cart transportation to the Commencement Tent on Elmore Field.

Guests may wish to obtain an **Accessibility Parking placard** to place on the dashboard of their car in order to assist them with getting to the designated drop off and parking location. Guests with a DMV certified accessibility parking tag or license plate designation will not need the dashboard placard. Please contact commencementinfo@hartwick.edu to obtain a dashboard placard prior to the ceremony.

PERSONAL ITEMS

Students are discouraged from carrying anything with them during the processional. Cell phones are permitted if silenced. We ask that all graduates **leave personal items** with a friend or family member.

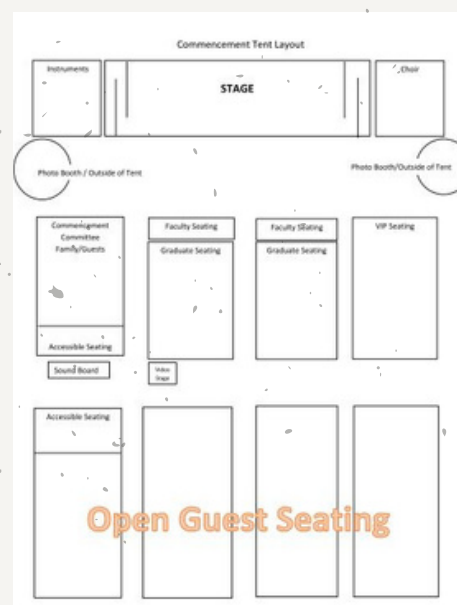
Items brought into Lambros Arena on the morning of Commencement will not be permitted to be carried and will be left in Lambros Arena at your own risk. Lambros Arena is not secured during the ceremony, so it is better if personal items are left at home or with family or friends.

ACCESSIBILITY

The College does not have resources available to provide our guests with wheelchairs, canes, walkers, etc. Guests are responsible for providing these items for themselves. Hartwick is willing and able to provide golf cart or shuttle transportation around campus.

GUEST SEATING

Guests have designated seating areas under the tent. See the diagram below for more information.



Has your home address changed? Be sure to update your address as your diploma will be sent to the address on file. To change your address, complete the address change request form online.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Class of 2023



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CAP AND GOWN PICK UP

Tuesday, May 2, 2023

10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Wednesday, May 3, 2023

10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

First Floor Suite, Golisano Hall

GRADUATE CELEBRATION

Friday, May 5, 2023

4:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Yager Museum

registration on Hartlink required

LAST WALK

Friday, May 12, 2023

3:30 p.m.

Founders' Way

NURSES PINNING

Friday, May 19, 2023

1:00 p.m.

Lambros Arena, Binder PE Center

ART RECEPTION

Friday, May 19, 2023

4:00 p.m.

Foreman Gallery, Anderson Center for
the Arts

SENIOR SEND OFF

Friday, May 19, 2023

5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Stack Lounge

Graduates and Guests are invited

COMMENCEMENT

Saturday, May 20, 2023

11:30 a.m.

Elmore Field (rain or shine), Oyaron Hill

Class of 2023 assembles at 10:30 a.m.

Lambros Arena, Binder PE Center

*The Commencement Ceremony may be viewed live on a
webcast. Streaming video from the webcast link will be
intermittent until just before the Commencement Ceremony
on May 20. www.hartwick.edu/commencement*



*For complete information, including a schedule of events, important contacts, and updated
guidelines, visit our website, hartwick.edu/campus-life/commencement.*