

## **College of Arts and Humanities**

#### 2025 Commencement Ceremony Fact Sheet!

#### Friday, May 16 | Save Mart Center

#### Important Times to Remember:

- 1. May 7: Last day to register for the ceremony.
- 2. **9:45am**: YOUR arrival time to the security check at the top of the Save Mart Center loading dock ramp!
- 3. **10:15am**: Processional begins! (This is when you walk in to the arena in all your graduation glory!)
- 4. 10:30am: Ceremony begins! (Let the speechifying commence!)
- 5. **12:00pm**: Ceremony ends. You will meet your friends and family on the lawn in front of the Save Mart Center.

#### **Hot Tips!**

- **Do not wear your regalia** (robe, cap, etc.) to the security check! You will have plenty of time to put it on as you line up for the processional.
- **Choose your footwear wisely!** You will be standing longer and walking farther than you realize starting with heading down the long, steep loading-dock ramp. Make sure your shoes are comfortable, or at least practice walking and standing in them at home. This is not the time to break in a new pair!
- Do not bring more than you can carry! There are no assigned seats during the ceremony, and you will not always come back to your seat after your moment in the spotlight. Pockets are your friend (there are none in the robes), or cell phone bags. Keep your belongings with you at all times.
- Be aware of the Save Mart Center's clear bag and entrance rules! For you and your guests.

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- **Do not overindulge.** If you are found to be intoxicated, you will be removed from the processional and will likely not be allowed to rejoin the group.
- The ceremony is NOT ticketed. There are no limits to guest numbers it's the Save Mart Center, after all! Your guests WILL have to go through a security check and be subject to the entrance requirements and the clear bag rule. Make sure they are aware of that, and the impacted parking so they have plenty of time to arrive, get through security, and take their seats before the processional at 10:15am.
  - **Air horns, bull horns, etc.** are not allowed, but we absolutely encourage cheering for the graduates!
- Master's Hoods for the College of Arts and Humanities are white!
- Tassels:
  - $\circ$  White for bachelor's candidates.
  - $\circ~$  Black for master's candidates.
- Honor cords will be distributed after Spring Break.
- Our first Zoom Q & A session will be March 20!

### Have fun, you made it!! Your contact for anything to do with the ceremony is:

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