



UNIVERSITY of WESTERN STATES  
*Integrating Health and Science*

## 209<sup>th</sup> Commencement Ceremony - Guest Guide

### Event Details

Friday, June 22, 2018 - 11 a.m.  
Oregon Convention Center, Oregon Ballroom  
777 NE Martin Luther King Jr Blvd, Portland, Oregon

### Ceremony

Please join family, friends and the UWS community at the 209th Commencement ceremony to celebrate the accomplishments of our graduating students. The ceremony will begin promptly at 11 a.m. The anticipated length of the ceremony is one and one-half hours long. *Tickets will not be distributed and are not required to attend the ceremony.*

Doors will open at **10:30 am**, at which time guests may be seated. Guests with mobility challenges should notify the commencement coordinator at [commencement@uws.edu](mailto:commencement@uws.edu) no later than May 18, 2018.

Guests are welcome to bring gifts for graduates; however any distracting items or items that will obscure other guests' views will need to be located at the side or back of the ballroom.

***Please note that helium-filled balloons are not permitted in any part of the Oregon Convention Center. No exceptions.***

### Reception

There will be an open house reception for graduates and guests on campus in Hampton Hall Lobby from **5:30 to 7 p.m. the evening of Thursday, June 21, 2018**. This will be an opportunity for graduates to celebrate their accomplishments with fellow classmates and their families. Light refreshments will be served, and the campus will be open for tours. All graduates will have the opportunity to have a professional business photo taken at the open house.

### Lodging

There are many hotels to choose from in the Portland area. To help with your selection, please visit [www.travelportland.com](http://www.travelportland.com) for information on Portland hotels or visit <http://www.oregoncc.org/> for hotels located near the Oregon Convention Center.

### Oregon Convention Center

Site information and directions to the ballroom, as well as driving directions are available via the Oregon Convention Center website at: <http://www.oregoncc.org/>.

### Public Transportation & Parking

The Oregon Convention Center is directly accessible by public transit, and both graduates and guests are encouraged to use it; however for those driving there is a parking garage located within the Convention Center. More information on parking can be found at: <http://www.oregoncc.org/DirectionsAndParking/> or via the Portland Public Transportation (Trimet) website: <http://trimet.org/schedules/index.htm>.

### Questions

Please email [commencement@uws.edu](mailto:commencement@uws.edu).