



# GSU COMMENCEMENT IMPORTANT INFORMATION

CHECK IN IS AT 9 A.M. LATE GRADUATES WILL BE HELD IN REAR OF AUDITORIUM AND ESCORTED IN AT APPROPRIATE TIME.

1. All guests, except for infants held on a lap, must have tickets to be seated.
2. A family-friendly seating area and a quiet room will be available to guests with children. Children 2 years and older require a ticket for admission.
3. Children may not sit with graduates.
4. No flowers, balloons, or gifts allowed in the convention center.
5. Guests should arrive early. Doors open at 10 a.m. Saving seats is not permitted. Seats are not guaranteed for late arrivals. Admission will be temporarily suspended at 10:50 a.m. in preparation for graduate procession.
6. Parking is limited. Carpooling is suggested. Observe all parking signs to avoid being ticketed or towed.
7. Remain in seat for the entire Commencement Ceremony.
8. No photographs or videotaping in the front, side, or middle aisles.
9. After the ceremony, graduates may meet to the right of stage to take pictures and visit with faculty and friends.
10. Prearrange a meeting spot to meet family and guests after the ceremony.
11. Do not leave your personal belongings in the robing room. GSU nor the convention center is responsible for lost or stolen items.
12. Cell phones should be turned off during the ceremony.
13. **Ceremonial Etiquette:** The university wants to ensure that commencement is a dignified academic ceremony enjoyed by both graduates and guests. Please refrain from yelling, shouting, or whistling until all graduates have been individually acknowledged on stage.

**PLEASE NOTE:** Graduates should not leave the ceremony floor until the appropriate time. Only Platform Guests, Faculty/Staff, and Marshals will recess out. All graduates are to remain seated throughout the ceremony unless directed otherwise by the commencement marshals or master of ceremonies.

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