YOUR GUIDE TO
COMMENCEMENT 2018

ADELPHI
UNIVERSITY
NEW YORK
To the Class of 2018,

Congratulations on your upcoming graduation! It’s going to be such an exciting time for you and your family. You’ve worked so hard and accomplished so much. You deserve to celebrate.

Commencement this year will be held on Friday, May 18, at NYCB LIVE: Home of the Nassau Veterans Memorial Coliseum. This guide will help you plan for it. It has all sorts of important and useful information—from the things you’ll need to do now, to what you and your guests will need to bring on the big day.

Graduation is not only an ending to your education at Adelphi, it’s the start of a new journey. As you prepare to begin your career or pursue a graduate degree, I wish you every success. I thank you for enriching our community over the past years, and all of us at Adelphi hope you will remain in touch with us as a member of our growing and vibrant alumni network. After all, on May 19, you will be an Adelphi alum!

Again, let me congratulate you on your great achievement. I look forward to seeing you on graduation day, shaking your hand as you receive your diploma and looking on as you leave the Coliseum stage as a proud Adelphi University graduate.

All the best,

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Commencement 2018

Our 122nd Commencement is rapidly approaching. To help our graduates and their families plan for this milestone event, we’ve created this guide that tells you all the information you’ll need, from pre-commencement events to proper academic attire and how to navigate the Coliseum. If you have any additional questions, please call the Commencement Office at 516.877.4695 or email us at commencement@adelphi.edu. We will be more than happy to answer them or address any concerns you may have.

We look forward to seeing you on Friday, May 18, 2018.
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# Countdown Calendar

**NOW**
Apply for graduation and register for Commencement and MarchingOrder.

**February 8**
101 Nights Until Graduation

**February 26, 27 and 28**
Senior portraits for the *Oracle* yearbook in the Ruth S. Harley University Center, Rooms 215 and 216, February 26 and 27, 12:00 noon–8:00 p.m.; February 28, 8:30 a.m.–4:30 p.m.

**March 1, 2, 6, 7, 8, 20, 21 and 22**
Senior portraits for the *Oracle* yearbook in the Ruth S. Harley University Center, Rooms 215 and 216, 8:30 a.m.–4:30 p.m.

**March 21**
Tickets go on sale for senior events at [adelphi.universitytickets.com](http://adelphi.universitytickets.com).

**March 23**

| DEADLINE: Last day to apply for graduation so that your name is in the Commencement program |
| DEADLINE: Last day for Garden City campus students to order academic attire for pickup at Garden City Grad Fair or Bookstore. All orders must be placed online. |

**April 8**

| DEADLINE: Last day for students to order academic attire for pickup at Hauppauge or Manhattan Center Grad Fairs. All orders must be placed online. |

**April 18 and 19**
Adelphi’s Annual Grad Fair at the Adelphi University Bookstore, Ruth S. Harley University Center, lower level, 11:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.

**April 22–May 17**
Academic attire available for pickup at Adelphi University Bookstore, Ruth S. Harley University Center, lower level

**May 2**

| DEADLINE: Last day to order academic attire for shipment directly to a home address. A fee of $15.95 will apply to all home-ship orders. All orders must be placed online. |

**May 3 and 5**
Manhattan Center Grad Fair and cap and gown pickup
May 3, 5:00 p.m.–8:00 p.m.
May 5, 11:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m.

**May 4**
Senior Formal

**May 7–May 8**
NEW—Grad Check-in Days at the Bookstore *(see page 5 for additional details)*

**May 8**
Hauppauge Center Grad Fair and academic attire pickup, 4:00 p.m.–7:00 p.m.

**May 9–May 10**
NEW—Grad Check-in Days at the Panthertainment Booth *(see page 5 for additional details)*

**May 17**
Family/Senior Dinner

**May 17**
Last day to pick up academic attire from the Adelphi University Bookstore, Ruth S. Harley University Center, lower level

**May 18**
**COMMENCEMENT:** Report to the Coliseum at 8:00 a.m.

**May 30**
Last day to apply online for graduation: after this date, it must be done in person
You’re Almost There!

We want you to have the best commencement experience possible. After all, you’ve earned it!

To make sure that the weeks leading up to commencement are as stress-free as possible, you need to make sure to do these three things:

1. Apply for graduation
2. RSVP for commencement
3. Order academic attire

Key Deadlines:

March 23, 2018:
Most Important Date to Remember
If you complete the items above and meet this deadline:

✓ Your name will be in the program
✓ Your name and degree will appear on the video screen onstage

If you miss this deadline, you’ll lose a few benefits.

April 13, 2018
If you don’t complete the items above until this deadline:

✗ Your name will not appear in the program
✓ Your name and degree will appear on the video screen onstage

May 1, 2018
If you don’t get it together until this date, you can still apply online for graduation. However,

✗ Your name will not appear in the program
✗ Your name and degree will not appear on the video screen onstage

After May 30, 2018
You can still apply to graduate, but you may no longer apply online. You must apply in person.

Let’s Get Started...
Applying for Graduation and Commencement

Graduation and commencement may sound like they’re one and the same, but these terms refer to two different events. Graduation is the process of being awarded a degree. Commencement is the ceremony—with academic attire and “Pomp and Circumstance”—that celebrates graduates receiving their degrees.

This year there is a new component to commencement: MarchingOrder!

MarchingOrder gives us the means to have the graduate’s name correctly pronounced while simultaneously displaying the name and degree on the video screen onstage as each graduate crosses the stage.

You need to apply for BOTH graduation and commencement via this link: commencement.adelphi.edu/apply

Apply for graduation! If you don’t, you will not receive your diploma, nor will the degree be conferred even if you’ve completed all the degree requirements. Even if you don’t plan on attending commencement, you must apply for graduation.

RSVP for commencement! About a week after you complete the commencement link, you will receive an email directing you to the MarchingOrder site, where you will be prompted to record the pronunciation of your name.

Please note that participation in the commencement ceremony does not mean you have met all requirements for graduation and are entitled to be awarded a degree. Certification of transcripts must be completed before a degree is officially awarded.

Graduate Check-in Days

Students who complete their graduation application and commencement RSVP by the required deadlines will receive a MarchingOrder card, which must be brought to the commencement ceremony. It will be used for check-in at commencement as well as to initiate the announcement of the graduate’s name and display their name and degree on the video screen.

MarchingOrder cards must be picked up on our Graduate Check-in Days, which will be held at the Garden City campus Bookstore on Monday, May 7, and Tuesday, May 8, 9:00 a.m.–7:00 p.m., and at the Panthertainment Booth on Wednesday, May 9, and Thursday, May 10, 9:00 a.m.–5:30 p.m.

Students who attend our Manhattan Center or Hauppauge location will receive their cards when they pick up their academic attire at their respective Grad Fairs.

Remember to bring your MarchingOrder card to commencement!
Order Academic Attire

Participation in commencement requires the appropriate academic attire. At Adelphi, this means our custom brown cap and tassel and a gown with gold-embroidered Adelphi seal and the hood of your discipline. (Students receiving associate degrees are not required to wear a hood.)

Starting this year, all academic orders should be placed online via the link at commencement.adelphi.edu.

DEADLINES:

- To pick up your attire at your Grad Fair (see page 3 for dates and times) with no shipping fee, order by:
  - Garden City students: **March 23**
  - Manhattan Center and Hauppauge students: **April 8**

- To order online and have attire shipped to home ($15.95 shipping fee), order by:
  - All students: **May 2**

At the fair, you can also get a jump on your life as an Adelphi alum by joining our Alumni Association. Visit alumni.adelphi.edu to learn more.

Academic Attire Packages

- Associate’s cap, gown and tassel: $55
- Bachelor’s cap, gown, hood and tassel: $82.95
- Master’s cap, gown, hood and tassel: $88.95
- Doctoral tam, gown, hood and tassel: $199
August 2018 Graduates

To be eligible to participate in the May commencement ceremony, undergraduate students scheduled to fulfill requirements for graduation in August must meet three criteria:

1. The undergraduate student is within 12 credits of completion.

2. The student will fulfill all remaining requirements by the end of summer session at Adelphi University.

3. The student is registered for the required classes. NOTE: If a particular course needed to graduate is not offered in summer session, the student MAY NOT participate in the May commencement ceremonies.

If the student fulfills the above three criteria, the next step is to download, print and complete a Request to Participate in Commencement Ceremonies at commencement.adelphi.edu/walk, obtain the required signatures and submit it to the Office of Academic Services and Retention in the Nexus Building, Room 154.

Receiving Your Diploma

Each degree candidate will be handed a diploma case upon arrival at the stage for the stage and portrait photos. Degrees are officially awarded after certification of transcripts and the printing of the diplomas. Diplomas will be mailed to graduates six to eight weeks after the degree is conferred. Diplomas will not be mailed to students with holds on their accounts.

Commencement Programs

If, after the commencement ceremony, you would like additional copies of the program, simply send an email to commencement@adelphi.edu or call the Commencement Office at 516.877.4695. You may request multiple copies.
Senior Events

Senior Formal
Friday, May 4, 2018
6:30 p.m.

Crest Hollow Country Club
8325 Jericho Turnpike
Woodbury, NY 11797
Optional transportation is available from the Adelphi University Garden City campus at 5:30 p.m.

Senior Formal is the time to celebrate your years as a Panther. Come spend the evening dancing, eating and celebrating the Class of 2018’s success as you near commencement. Tickets are $40 per Adelphi graduating senior and $40 per guest. Each senior is invited to bring one guest. Tickets include transportation to and from Adelphi, open bar, cocktail hour, sit-down dinner, photo booth and dancing. To purchase a ticket, log on to adelphi.universitytickets.com. Tickets go on sale starting March 21, 2018.

Senior Family Dinner
Thursday, May 17, 2018
6:30 p.m.

The Inn at New Hyde Park
214 Jericho Turnpike
New Hyde Park, NY 11040

Cash bar will be available. Tickets are $15 per Adelphi graduating senior and $25 per guest. Each senior is invited to bring two guests.
Photos and Videos

Island Photography will be taking photographs of all graduates, who will be photographed at three different points.

This year, we will be using the back of your MarchingOrder card to enter the contact information to be used by Island Photography to mail your proofs. Purchasing photographs is not mandatory.

For more information, please visit islandphoto.com or contact Island Photography at 800.869.0908.

We request that family photographs be taken after the ceremony.

For those who can’t attend the ceremony, it will be simulcast at commencement.adelphi.edu.

Please be courteous. After crossing the stage for congratulatory handshakes, we ask that students return to their seats. The last graduate is just as important as the first and deserves the same respect and attention.

Capture and share your moment using #AdelphiGrad2018

Show off your creativity by posting a photo of your decorated cap using #AdelphiGradCaps18

And remember to tag us @AdelphiU
Commencement Day Information for Graduates

What to Bring
- MarchingOrder card
- Your robe, cap, tassel and hood

When to Arrive
Please arrive by 8:00 a.m.

Where to Go
The Coliseum is located at 1255 Hempstead Turnpike in Uniondale (see Transportation and Directions, pages 14–16).

Students enter the Coliseum through Gate 5.

Proceed down the escalator to the lower level, turn left into the Expo Center. Ushers and marshals—dressed in black robes—will be on hand if you have any questions. Make sure to have your MarchingOrder card as you enter the Coliseum as it will be used for check-in.

If you are a student with a disability and wish to request a reasonable accommodation, you should contact the Student Access Office at 516.877.3806 or sao@adelphi.edu.
Commencement Day Information for Guests

**When to Arrive**
Families and guests enter through the main gates when they open at 8:00 a.m. Seats are available on a first-come, first-served basis.

**Where to Go**
The Coliseum is located at 1255 Hempstead Turnpike in Uniondale (see Transportation and Directions, pages 14–16).

There are more than 5,000 parking spaces at the Coliseum, which means you won’t have trouble finding a space. Parking is free. Just remember where you parked!

**Where to Sit**
On page 13, you’ll see a diagram of the Coliseum that is color coded to show you where each school will be seated on the floor. Find where your graduate will be seated, then head for a section close by.

The entire ceremony can be easily viewed from all seats. When the graduates cross the stage for congratulatory handshakes, the image will be projected on a video wall onstage and on the Coliseum’s Jumbotron, a four-sided video screen mounted on the ceiling above the center section of the floor seats.

**What Not to Bring**
- Backpacks or large bags
- Food—guests are not permitted to bring food or beverages into the Coliseum.
Accessibility

**Closed Captioning**
Captioning of speeches will be displayed on a screen above the arena floor.

**ADA–Compliant Seating**
There is wheelchair-accessible seating, clearly marked, throughout the Coliseum. Seating is on a first-come, first-served basis, so early arrival is recommended. No reservations are required.

Please note that Adelphi University and the Coliseum do not have wheelchairs available for commencement. Guests interested in renting a wheelchair for the ceremony are encouraged to contact a home healthcare supplier in the area. It is strongly suggested that guests with mobility limitations consider using assistance devices.

Adelphi’s Student Access Office is here to help you. Contact the office at sao@adelphi.edu or 516.877.3806.

**Accessible Parking**
Accessible parking is located on both the north and south sides of the Coliseum and is available on a first-come, first-served basis. A state or local handicap parking permit or license plate is required.

**Elevator**
The elevator to access the lower level Coliseum Expo Center for student and faculty robing, lineup and procession is located near the main entrance.

**Restrooms**
There are restrooms designed to accommodate guests with disabilities conveniently located throughout the Coliseum concourse and in the lower lobby.
NYCB LIVE: Home of the Nassau Veterans Memorial Coliseum

This color-coded map shows where the graduates will sit according to school.

- College of Arts and Sciences -- near Section 102
- College of Nursing and Public Health -- near Section 105
- School of Social Work -- near Section 106
- Gordon F. Derner School of Psychology -- near Section 118
- Robert B. Willumstad School of Business -- near Section 117
- Ruth S. Ammon School of Education -- near Section 115
- College of Professional and Continuing Studies -- near Section 116

The processional enters at the opening in Section 103.
Transportation to the Coliseum

Shuttle Service

Buses will be provided to meet passengers traveling on trains that arrive at the Hempstead LIRR train station between 7:00 a.m. and 9:30 a.m.

Buses will be departing the south side of the Coliseum and heading to the Hempstead terminal to coincide with trains departing between 1:00 p.m. and 3:30 p.m.

All transportation is on a first-come, first-served basis.

There will be no transportation from the Adelphi campus to the Coliseum.
Directions to the Coliseum

**NYCB LIVE: Home of the Nassau Veterans Memorial Coliseum**
1255 Hempstead Turnpike
Uniondale, NY 11553

The Coliseum is most easily reached from the Meadowbrook Parkway, exit M4.

**From Eastern Long Island (South Shore)**
Sunrise Highway to Southern State Parkway to exit 22N (Meadowbrook Parkway north) to exit M4; follow signs to the Coliseum

**From Eastern Long Island (North Shore)**
Long Island Expressway (I-495) west to Northern State Parkway to exit 31A (Meadowbrook Parkway south) to exit M4; follow signs to the Coliseum

**From Queens**
Grand Central Parkway, which turns into the Northern State Parkway, to exit 31A (Meadowbrook Parkway south) to exit M4; follow signs to the Coliseum

**From Manhattan**
Queens-Midtown Tunnel to Long Island Expressway (I-495) east to exit 38, Northern State Parkway, to exit 31A (Meadowbrook Parkway south) to exit M4; follow signs to the Coliseum
From Brooklyn/Staten Island
Belt Parkway in Brooklyn to Southern State Parkway east to exit 22N (Meadowbrook Parkway North) to exit M4; follow signs to the Coliseum

From the Bronx/Upstate New York/Connecticut
Robert F. Kennedy-Triborough or Whitestone or Throgs Neck bridge to Queens; pick up the Grand Central Parkway east, which turns into the Northern State Parkway, to exit 31A (Meadowbrook Parkway south) to exit M4; follow signs to the Coliseum

From Southern or Central New Jersey
New Jersey Turnpike to exit 13, Goethals Bridge; drive through Staten Island to the Verrazano Narrows Bridge to Belt Parkway to Southern State Parkway east to exit 22N (Meadowbrook Parkway north) to exit M4; follow signs to the Coliseum

From Northern New Jersey
George Washington Bridge to I-87 South to Robert F. Kennedy-Triborough Bridge to the Grand Central Parkway east, which turns into the Northern State Parkway, to exit 31A (Meadowbrook Parkway south) to exit M4; follow signs to the Coliseum
About Adelphi University

A modern metropolitan university with a personalized approach to higher learning

Adelphi University is a highly awarded, nationally ranked, powerfully connected doctoral research university offering exceptional liberal arts and sciences programs and professional training with particular strength in its Core Four—Arts and Humanities, STEM and Social Sciences, Business and Education Professions, and Health and Wellness. Adelphi is dedicated to transforming students’ lives through small classes, hands-on learning and innovative ways to support student success.

Founded in Brooklyn in 1896, Adelphi is Long Island’s oldest private coeducational university. Today Adelphi serves nearly 8,000 national and international students at its beautiful main campus in Garden City, New York—just 23 miles from New York City’s cultural and internship opportunities—and at dynamic learning hubs in Manhattan, the Hudson Valley and Suffolk County, and online.

More than 100,000 Adelphi graduates have gained the skills to thrive professionally as active, caring citizens, making their mark on the University, their communities and the world beyond.

For Our Alumni

As an alum of Adelphi University, you are an integral and vital part of the Adelphi community. As such, you are eligible for a variety of benefits and services. See alumni.adelphi.edu for more information.

Commencement Coordinators

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commencement@adelphi.edu

**Adelphi University Bookstore**
Ruth S. Harley University Center, lower level
**516.877.3900**
adelphi.bncollege.com

**Student Access Office (SAO)**
Formerly the Office of Disability Support Services
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access-office.adelphi.edu

**Office of the University Registrar**
Levermore Hall, lower level, Room 8
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registrar@adelphi.edu
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A Tradition of Giving

Thank you to the Class of 2018 for your legacy gifts. You have joined Adelphi’s proud tradition and left your mark. Because of your generosity, future students will benefit from life-changing study abroad opportunities, valuable internships and hands-on service learning. You have made a difference.

If you have not yet made your gift, there is still time for you to help ensure our class’ place in Adelphi history! Visit adelphi.edu/slc or text SLC2018 to 71777 to make your gift today!