

PRUDENTIAL CENTER

Travel to the Arena

From the New Jersey Turnpike South:

- Take Exit 15W onto I-280 westbound.
- Turn right on Exit 15A towards Route 21 South.
- Turn right onto Rector Street.
- Turn left onto Broad Street.
- Continue southbound on Broad Street and make a left onto Lafayette Street.
- Prudential Center will be on your left hand side.

From the New Jersey Turnpike North:

- Take Exit 14 toward I-78.
- Take the center ramp after the toll booth toward US-1-9 / RT-21.
- Keep right to stay on the ramp toward US-1 / US-9.
- Continue on US-1-9 (approx 3 miles) and exit on the right onto RT-21 McCarter Hwy.
- Take Broad Street exit on right.
- Continue northbound on Broad Street and make a right onto Lafayette Street.
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From the Garden State Parkway North & South:

- Follow Garden State Parkway South to Exit 145.
- Follow signs to Route 280 East.
- Follow Route 280 East to Exit 15 (Route 21 - Downtown/Arts).
- At bottom of ramp (traffic light), make a right onto Route 21 South.
- Turn right onto Rector Street.
- Turn left onto Broad Street.
- Continue southbound on Broad Street and make a left onto Lafayette Street.
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From New York City:

- From George Washington Bridge or Lincoln Tunnel, follow signs for New Jersey Turnpike South.
- Take Exit 15W onto I-280 westbound.
- Turn right on Exit 15A towards Route 21 South.
- Turn right onto Rector Street.
- Turn left onto Broad Street.
- Continue southbound on Broad Street and make a left onto Lafayette Street.
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From Newark Liberty International Airport:

- Follow signs for US 1 N/US 9 N/US-22.
- Continue northbound on US-1-9 and exit on left toward RT-21 Newark Downtown.
- Take Broad Street exit on right.
- Continue northbound on Broad Street and make a right onto Lafayette Street.
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For information on parking at the Arena, visit:

<http://www.prucenter.com/getting-here#/parking>

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DAY OF COMMENCEMENT

Arrive at Prudential Center: 8:00 AM

Line-up and Procession: 8:30 AM

Ceremony Start Time: 9:30 AM

Line-up: Graduates are expected to arrive dressed in caps and gowns at 8:00 AM. Graduates will enter through the Ford Tower Entrance to check in and proceed to the line up area, where alphabetical lines will be formed according to degree.

Guest Seating: Arena doors will open at 8:00 AM and all guests should be seated by 8:45 AM. Guests should use the Investors Bank Tower Entrance (at the corner of Mulberry Street and Edison Place).

Possessions: Pocketbooks or other carried articles are not acceptable in an academic procession. Please remember to keep your car keys in a safe place. There are no lockers or storage available in the line-up area. Please turn off all cell phones at the beginning of the ceremony. Please note that the Prudential Center prohibits balloons in the arena.

Accessibility: Prudential Center is a facility that is fully compliant with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), and accessible seating is available in sections 8, 22, and 19. For further information regarding guests in need of ADA accommodations please visit:

<http://www.prucenter.com/ada-guide>

Snack Facilities: Light refreshments may be purchased at the arena concession stands prior to the ceremony. Graduates are not allowed to take food or beverages into the ceremony.

Leaving the Arena: Following the ceremony, guests will exit the arena from the Concourse Level and graduates will march directly out of the arena through the Ford Tower Entrance. No one will be allowed to remain in the lobbies or re-enter the lobbies once the ceremony has ended.



For further details and to watch a live stream of the ceremony, please visit:
BerkeleyCollege.edu/Commencement/

Congratulations graduates!

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Commencement Guide 2020

Office of Student Development and Campus Life

Berkeley College Commencement

Prudential Center
25 Lafayette Street
Newark, New Jersey

Friday May 8, 2020
9:30 AM

 **Berkeley College**

Your **potential** is our **promise.**

A Message from the Vice President of Student Development and Campus Life

Dear Graduating Student:

Congratulations on completing your educational journey at Berkeley College! You will be joining the ranks of other successful alums who graduated from Berkeley. This pamphlet is designed to provide you with the 2020 Commencement information that you will need to know for this very special day. It is important that you be mindful of the information contained here. Please stay connected with Berkeley College by registering on: <http://BerkeleyCollege.edu/alumni/>

Commencement can be viewed live on the internet at <http://BerkeleyCollege.edu/Commencement>

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the Office of Student Development and Campus Life at your location.

Once again, congratulations on this great accomplishment. I look forward to celebrating with you, your family, and guests!

Sincerely,

Dallas Reed, Ph.D.
Vice President
Student Development and Campus Life

DIPLOMA FRAMES

Diploma frames can be purchased at the Berkeley College Online Store at Bookstore.BerkeleyCollege.edu. Diploma frames and personalized invitations can be purchased through Jostens at www.jostens.com



*Frame styles may vary from image shown.

Bookstore.BerkeleyCollege.edu

GRADUATE SALUTE/CAP AND GOWN DISTRIBUTION DATES

2020 Graduate Salute dates, times, and locations are listed below. Please complete the RSVP form at BerkeleyCollege.edu/Commencement to let us know which Graduate Salute event you plan to attend.

Jostens will be at Berkeley College Graduate Salutes to conduct fittings and distribute caps and gowns to all graduates. On-site students: to make cap and gown pick up at Graduate Salute even easier, you can also choose to pre-order your cap and gown at www.jostens.com before January 24, 2020 and it will be packaged, labeled, and shipped to your campus for pick up at Graduate Salute. Students who desire to purchase a class ring will also have the opportunity to do so at Graduate Salute events at the following dates and times:

New York

New York City Campus

*Location: 3 East 43rd Street,
Student Activities Center*
March 11, 2020 – 2:00 – 7:00 PM
April 6, 2020 – 2:00 – 7:00 PM
April 30, 2020 – 2:00 – 7:00 PM

White Plains Campus

Location: Third Floor Lounge
April 9, 2020 – 2:00 – 7:00 PM

Online/Virtual

Location: <https://berkeleycollege.edu/commencement/>
February 24 - April 30, 2020

New Jersey

Newark Campus

Location: Student Lounge, Lower Level
April 7, 2020 – 2:00 – 7:00 PM

Paramus Campus

Location: Room 124
April 2, 2020 – 5:00 – 7:00 PM

Woodbridge Campus

Location: Student Center, Lower Level
March 19, 2020 – 2:00 – 7:00 PM
April 28, 2020 – 2:00 – 7:00 PM

Woodland Park Campus

Location: Renaissance Hall Atrium
March 26, 2020 – 2:00 – 7:00 PM
April 29, 2020 – 2:00 – 7:00 PM

Please note:

(Online and International students ONLY)

If you are unable to attend a Graduate Salute at any location, please visit BerkeleyCollege.edu/Commencement between February 25 and April 8, 2020 to participate in the Virtual Graduate Salute and to make arrangements to have your cap and gown mailed to you.

GRADUATION PHOTOS

Thornton Studios will be on site for students who desire to have graduation pictures taken during Graduate Salute events. Sitting is free and you can view your proofs online prior to deciding if you'd like to purchase any of your photos. Photos are on a first-come, first-served basis. The last sitting is at 6:50 PM.

ON-SITE AND VIRTUAL COMMENCEMENT KEY EVENTS AND DATES

This year, we will host two great options for Commencement. On May 8, we will hold Commencement ceremonies both at the Prudential Center and a virtual ceremony available online. In the past, Virtual Commencement was just for our Online students. This year both ceremonies will be available to all graduates. President Michael Smith and other noteworthy speakers will be featured at both ceremonies.

We understand that our students have busy lives and live all over the world, so we've made the virtual graduation available to all students. We also invite you to participate in one of our Graduate Salutes. On-site Graduate Salute is a festive event where you can pick up your cap and gown, order a class ring, have professional graduation photos taken, and engage with other future graduates in person. Virtual Graduate Salute is a web-based event where you can order your cap and gown, order a class ring, find information on having professional graduation photos taken, and engage with other future graduates virtually. Please be sure to complete the RSVP form before April 1 to indicate your preference of graduation ceremonies and our graduate salutes. You can RSVP at: BerkeleyCollege.edu/Commencement.

You must RSVP for Commencement and Graduate Salute by April 1, 2020. Thank you for your cooperation and congratulations.

For more information, please contact us at: Commencement@BerkeleyCollege.edu

There is no pre-commencement rehearsal.

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