

EARLHAM COLLEGE CLASS OF 2023
Commencement Newsletter
March 2023

As Commencement Weekend nears, we would like to highlight events directed to the senior class in celebrating your graduation. Everyone is welcome to attend all of the events listed on the Commencement Weekend Schedule of events, and we encourage you and your families to attend.

CAPS AND GOWNS: Cap and gown are ready to be picked up at the Bookstore beginning Thursday, March 30. Remember to place on a hanger and do not iron!

NAME PRONUNCIATION: To help ensure that your name is pronounced correctly at Commencement, please take a moment to visit <https://courseintros.com/EC-Seniors2023> where you will be prompted to record your name.

COMMENCEMENT REHEARSAL: All graduates **must attend rehearsal** to learn the order of procession and conferring of degrees on Friday, May 12 at 10:30 a.m. The location, which depends on the weather expected for Commencement, will be announced earlier that week (check your emails!).

PHI BETA KAPPA Induction Ceremony for the Class of 2023: Friday, May 12 at 2:00 p.m. in Stout Meetinghouse. A reception will follow the ceremony. Invitations are forwarded from the Earlham College Local Chapter.

MEAL OPTIONS FOR COMMENCEMENT WEEKEND:

- **Friday, May 12** The Coffee Shop will be open for your convenience with several meal options. The college will be hosting a Senior Celebration Dinner beginning at 6:00 p.m. The dinner is free to graduates, but you must make a reservation through [Eventbrite](#). Information will be posted shortly on the [Commencement webpage](#) for any guest who wish to attend.
- **Saturday, May 13:** A breakfast buffet will be available from 8:30-10:00 a.m. in the Dining Hall. Reservations must be made through Eventbrite.

BACCALAUREATE: Baccalaureate will be held in the Druley Performance Gym in the Wellness Center at **4:30 p.m. on Friday, May 12**. Line up is at 4:00 p.m. in the Auxiliary Gym. This ceremony is meant to be a meaningful reflection of your time here. It has a spiritual focus, but is not intended to exclude those who are not Quaker or may not consider themselves spiritual. More information about Baccalaureate at Earlham can be found on our [website](#). This year's Baccalaureate speaker, nominated by the Class of 2023, is Ryan Murphy, Associate Professor of History & Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies.

No tickets are required for Baccalaureate.

COMMENCEMENT

Commencement will be at **10:30 a.m. on Saturday, May 13** on Chase Stage, in front of Lilly Library. The Class line-up begins at 10:00 a.m. in the Carpenter Hall Lobby on the stairs. In case of rain, Commencement will be held in the Wellness Center Performance Gym and the line-up will be in the Auxiliary Gym. You will receive complete line-up information at **Commencement rehearsal on Friday May 12**.

Tickets to attend Commencement are only required in the event that the ceremony must be held indoors. Each graduate will receive up to 8 Commencement guest tickets, which be available to be picked up at the Registrar's Office (Tyler 018) beginning on Monday, May 8 through Thursday, May 11. Additional tickets may be requested though the Registrar's Office at 765-983-1515 or registrar@earlham.edu. Tickets not picked up by 5:00 p.m. on Thursday will be available at the Runyan desk.

NOTE FROM RESIDENCE LIFE:

The on-campus students who are not part of this year's graduating class are directed to check out soon after their Final Exams are completed and no later than Friday, May 12, at 5:00 p.m. All graduating seniors who participate in commencement ceremonies are expected to check out from their room assignment no later than **Sunday, May 14** by noon. You will receive instructions to check out with an RA or another Residence Life staff member. The Office of Residence Life will send out detailed information about the checkout process closer to the end of the spring semester.

GRADUATION PHOTOGRAPHS: For your convenience, we have made arrangements with Grad Images for a professional photographer to record the moment you are awarded your diploma. You will receive, at your home address, a passport-sized, full-color proof in the mail approximately one week after the ceremony. There is no obligation to purchase, and you will have the option of ordering several enlargement packages at a very reasonable price. Grad Images guarantees complete satisfaction with your photograph or you will receive a full refund. The official website is www.gradimages.com

YOUR PARTICIPATION IN COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES: If you are not planning to participate in the Commencement exercises, please notify the Registrar's Office before May 5. If you are not attending the graduation ceremony, your degree will be conferred in absentia and your diploma will be sent to the address you provided following the completion of the graduation ceremonies.

Best wishes for an exciting Commencement Weekend!

Corinne Deibel (she/her)
Registrar

Julie Stout (she/her)
Associate Registrar

Stacie Perkins (she/her)
Assistant Registrar

Commencement Steering Committee: Margaret Bartimole, Wisdom Boinde, Ahmed Deeb, Nicola Gacy, Prinshu Gautam, Sam Sargent, and Johnette Williams.

If you have questions, please contact Corinne or Julie in the Registrar's Office.