

# EARLHAM COLLEGE CLASS OF 2024 Commencement Newsletter March 2024

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

**CAPS AND GOWNS:** Cap and gown will be ready to be picked up at the Bookstore on Wednesday, March 20, please bring your student ID. 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 <a href="https://courseintros.com/graduation\_2024">https://courseintros.com/graduation\_2024</a> 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 10 at 10:30 a.m.** in the Auxiliary Gym in the Wellness Center.

Rehearsal will be followed by a **Senior Celebration Picnic** sponsored by the Office of Student Life. Don't miss the great food, fun activities and giveaways!

**PHI BETA KAPPA Induction Ceremony for the Class of 2024:** Friday, May 10 at 2:30 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 10: Senior Celebration Picnic on Comstock field
- Friday, May 10: Café 1847 will be open for dinner. Students can use a meal exchange.
- **Saturday, May 11:** 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 Performance Gym in the Wellness Center at 5:00 p.m. on Friday, May 10. Line up is at 4:30 p.m. in the Auxiliary Gym. This ceremony is one of our most meaningful events and we encourage you and your family to attend. It is reflection of your time here and 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 2024, is Gene Hambrick, Senior Executive Director for Center Entrepreneurship, Innovation, and Creativity.

No tickets are required for Baccalaureate.

### **COMMENCEMENT**

Commencement will be at 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, May 11 and the Class line-up will begin at 10:00 a.m. You will receive complete line-up information at Commencement rehearsal on Friday May 10. The Commencement ceremony location will be announced as soon as it is confirmed.

Tickets to attend Commencement are only required in the event that the ceremony will be held indoors. Each graduate will receive up to 8 Commencement guest tickets, which will be available to be picked up at the Registrar's Office (Tyler 018) beginning on Monday, May 6 through Thursday, May 9. 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.

#### **DIPLOMA**



All graduates participating in Commencement will receive an Earlham College diploma cover at the ceremony. Your printed diploma will be mailed 3-4 weeks following Commencement. You must provide the mailing <u>address</u> where you want your diploma sent by May 11. Please scan the QR code to access the form to enter your address.

## 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 10, 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 12 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 3. 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!

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