

**NORTH CENTRAL COLLEGE**

# COMMENCEMENT WEEKEND

— for the class of —

# 2020

**May 1-3, 2020**



**NORTH CENTRAL  
COLLEGE 1861**

**[NORTHCENTRALCOLLEGE.EDU/COMMENCEMENT](http://NORTHCENTRALCOLLEGE.EDU/COMMENCEMENT)**

What an exciting time  
this is in the lives of the  
graduates, their families  
and friends.

We invite you to participate in the Commencement celebration, which begins with graduate portraits and a mandatory rehearsal on Friday, May 1, and continues with the Baccalaureate Service, First-Generation Pinning Ceremony, a graduation brunch, and the Commencement Ceremony on Sunday, May 3.

For more information, visit **[northcentralcollege.edu/commencement](https://northcentralcollege.edu/commencement)** or contact Mary Reynolds at **[commencement@noctrl.edu](mailto:commencement@noctrl.edu)** or **630-637-5202**.

*Receiving this brochure indicates you may have the credits necessary to graduate but does not mean you have completed the requirements for graduation. For further information, contact the Registrar's Office at 630-637-5252 or [registrar@noctrl.edu](mailto:registrar@noctrl.edu).*



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# Schedule

## APRIL 26 - 30

### Senior Week Activities

Seniors—this week is for you! Join us for a variety of special events, including a pancake breakfast with great raffle prizes, the last supper at Kaufman and a Thursday evening event at Two Brothers. More information will be available at Countdown to Commencement on Monday, April 6, from 3 to 6 p.m. in the Wentz Concert Hall Lobby.

## FRIDAY, MAY 1

### Graduate Portraits 1 - 3 p.m.

*Old Main Lawn*

GradImages will photograph individual and/or family portraits of graduates in their caps and gowns during this time. Meet on the Old Main lawn if you are interested. There are no preassigned times. Come anytime between 1 - 3 p.m. The rain location will be Smith Hall on the second floor of Old Main.

### Graduation Rehearsal — Mandatory 6:45 p.m.

*Residence Hall/Recreation Center*

This hour-long **MANDATORY REHEARSAL** will preview the processional, ceremony, recessional and other important details of the Commencement exercises. Graduates need to arrive at the Residence Hall/Recreation Center by 6:45 p.m.; rehearsal begins promptly at 7 p.m.

## SATURDAY, MAY 2

### Graduate Hooding Ceremony and Reception 3 p.m.

*Wentz Concert Hall*

The Graduate Hooding Ceremony is an event to celebrate the accomplishments of graduate students along with faculty, family and friends. Faculty members will officially “hood” each student who has earned a master’s degree and the colors on the hoods represent the areas of study. The graduates wear these hoods during the Commencement Ceremony on Sunday and in future academic processions.

## SUNDAY, MAY 3

### Baccalaureate Service 9 a.m. (Graduate lineup 8:45 a.m.)

*Wentz Concert Hall*

The Baccalaureate Service is a significant ceremony planned and conducted by the graduating class and the Office of Faith and Action. It is a way to celebrate accomplishments, offer personal reflections and acknowledge those who have contributed to the achievements of the graduates. The nondenominational worship service provides an opportunity to share memories with members of the Class of 2020 and their visions for the future. We encourage you and your family to attend this moving event. Graduates, please wear your cap and gown. Complete the attached form to make your reservation.

# Schedule

## **Commencement Brunch 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.**

*Judy G. Stevenson Hall, Wentz Science Center*

Join other graduates, their families and friends for a Commencement brunch. The cost is \$5 for adults and children 10 and up. There is no charge for the graduate. Registration is required. Please complete online registration or attached form.

## **Cardinal First Graduation Recognition & Pinning Ceremony**

**10:30 - 11:30 a.m.**

*Wentz Concert Hall*

North Central Class of 2020 first-generation students and their families are invited to this celebration, where each first-generation graduate will be presented with a Cardinal First pin by a faculty or staff member of their choosing. Details about the program will be emailed to first-generation students. RSVP required by April 27. If you have questions, contact the Office of First-Generation Programs at 630-637-5155.

## **Lineup 1 p.m.**

*Merner Field House*

**All graduates need to arrive dressed in cap and gown at Merner Field House by 1 p.m.** Staff and student marshals will assist graduates with the lineup process. Cooperation of the graduates is essential for a smooth processional.

## **Processional 1:40 p.m.**

*Merner Field House and Residence Hall/Recreation Center*

Graduates will begin the processional from Merner Field House into the Residence Hall/Recreation Center arena.

## **Commencement 2 p.m.**

*Residence Hall/Recreation Center*

We encourage family and friends to arrive early as seating is on a first-come, first-served basis, with **no tickets required. Doors open at 12:30 p.m.** The ceremony can also be viewed in our Wentz Concert Hall or online at [northcentralcollege.edu/commencement](http://northcentralcollege.edu/commencement).

## **ROTC Joint Commissioning 5 p.m.**

*Meiley-Swallow Hall*

The United States Army ROTC Rolling Thunder Battalion and the U.S. Air Force Detachment 195 will commission two of our 2020 North Central graduates as 2nd lieutenants. The public is invited.

## **COMMENCEMENT SEATING**

Seating in the Residence Hall/Recreation Center will be on a first-come, first-served basis, with **no tickets required.** We encourage family members and friends of graduates to arrive early to allow ample time to park and secure seating prior to the beginning of the processional at 1:40 p.m. **Doors open at 12:30 p.m.** Limited special needs seating will be available. If occupancy is reached in the Residence Hall/Recreation Center, the ceremony may be viewed via livestream in Wentz Concert Hall, 171 E. Chicago Ave.

# Important Information

## PHOTOGRAPHS OF GRADUATES

Arrangements have been made with GradImages for a professional photographer to capture the moment each graduate receives his or her diploma. Graduates will receive a passport-sized, full-color proof in the mail approximately one week after the ceremony. To view your graduation proof online, visit **gradimages.com** and select "Pre-event Registration." This will allow you to provide an email address and GradImages will send your proof electronically. For more information, visit gradimages.com or call 1-800-261-2576.

## COMMENCEMENT DVD

Naperville Community Television will record the Commencement ceremony. To order your copy, complete and return the attached form.

## FLOWERS FOR COMMENCEMENT

**The Commencement Group** will offer congratulatory flower bouquets for purchase outside the ceremony. You can go to **www.thecommencementgroup.com/noctrl** to reserve bouquets in advance, for pickup at the event. Product options include roses and mixed floral bouquets.

## CAMPUS STORE HOURS

The North Central College Campus Store, located at 100 E. Jefferson Ave., will be open Friday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. The Campus Store also will sell merchandise outside the Residence Hall/Recreation Center on Sunday from noon until after the ceremony.

## RESIDENCE HALL CHECKOUT REMINDER

Seniors must check out of their residence hall rooms by 8 p.m., Sunday, May 3.



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# Important Information

## SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS

Individuals with special needs requiring additional accommodations may contact the Office of Business Operations at 630-637-5658 for assistance.

## COMMENCEMENT PARKING

As with all major campus events, parking near the Residence Hall/Recreation Center for Commencement will be congested. We encourage Commencement guests to utilize campus parking lots north of Chicago Avenue (highlighted on the map in red for your reference). Street parking is also available—please follow all City of Naperville signage. Information and directional signs will be posted to assist the guests of our graduates.

Limited handicapped parking is available near the Residence Hall/Recreation Center and is highlighted on the map in blue.

**Drop-off is available for guests who need accommodations for accessibility.**

## HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS

North Central has partnered with some of our Naperville hotels to offer discounted rates to all family and friends of the College. Please call the hotels directly. When confirming your reservation be sure to mention you will be in town for North Central College's Commencement Weekend.

For a complete listing of partner hotels that support North Central College, visit [northcentralcollege.edu/commencement](http://northcentralcollege.edu/commencement).



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# Commencement

## Parking Map



Ceremony location:  
**Residence Hall/  
Recreation Center**  
440 S. Brainard St.  
Doors open at 8:30 a.m.



- Available parking



- Handicap parking



- Remote viewing  
location

# Commencement Brunch & Baccalaureate Service

Please check one or both boxes if attending and include the total number attending (including graduate):

☐ **Baccalaureate Service** # \_\_\_\_\_  
Sunday, May 3, 9 a.m., Wentz Concert Hall

☐ **Commencement Brunch** # \_\_\_\_\_  
Sunday, May 3, 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.  
Judy G. Stevenson Hall, Wentz Science Center  
(Cost: \$5 per person)

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GRADUATE'S NAME

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NAME OF PERSON MAKING RESERVATIONS

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PHONE NUMBER WHERE YOU MAY BE REACHED

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EMAIL ADDRESS

PLEASE CHARGE/DEBIT MY/OUR PAYMENT:

☐ M/C ☐ VISA ☐ DISCOVER ☐ AMEX

☐ CHECK (PAYABLE TO NORTH CENTRAL COLLEGE)

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CARD NUMBER

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EXPIRATION DATE

VIN #

PLEASE RESPOND BY:

**Monday, April 27**

**To register online visit,**  
<http://regics.noctrl.edu/emsregics/commencement2020>

*or*

**Please mail reservation form to:**  
**NORTH CENTRAL COLLEGE ALUMNI OFFICE**

**COMMENCEMENT  
RESERVATIONS**

**30 N. Brainard Street, Naperville, IL 60540**

**Reservations are required for all attending.**

**For further information, call Mary Reynolds at 630-637-5202**



# Commencement DVD

## order form

NUMBER OF DVDS \_\_\_\_\_ X **\$20** = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

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VIN # \_\_\_\_\_

If you have questions please contact the Office of  
Alumni Engagement at commencement@noctrl.edu  
or 630-637-5200.

ORDER DVD BY: **Friday, May 15**

To order online, visit:

<http://regics.noctrl.edu/emsregics/commencement2020>

*or*

Make checks payable to North Central College.  
Please mail reservation form and payment to:

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