

June 17, 2017

Invitation to Graduates

You are cordially invited to participate in Oregon Tech's Spring Commencement on Saturday, June 17, 2017 at 10:00 a.m. at Oregon Institute of Technology 3201 Campus Dr. Klamath Falls, OR 97601.

A reception honoring the graduates will be held on campus immediately following the ceremonies. There will be Departmental gathering areas posted.

We encourage the earlier graduates of the academic year (Summer 2016, Fall 2016 and Winter 2017) and the graduating candidates for Spring and Summer 2017 to join us. Graduates from other Oregon Tech campuses are also invited to participate.

Commencement Participation

In order to participate and walk in the Klamath Falls Commencement Ceremony, graduates must complete the 2017 Walk Form. It is recommended this form be completed online by visiting **www.oit.edu/commencement and clicking on Walk Form.** This online form must be submitted no later than May 31st, 2017.

Commencement Apparel

All graduates participating in Commencement are required to wear an academic cap and gown. Cap, gown, and tassels may be purchased in the Oregon Tech Bookstore in the College Union. Associate degree candidates wear blue gowns and Bachelor and Master degree candidates wear black gowns.

Commencement Rehearsal

A mandatory rehearsal for all participants will be held on Friday, June 16, 2017 at 2:00 pm. Prior to rehearsal there will be a free BBQ for graduates. Do not bring your cap and gown. Please assemble according to your major at Owens Hall. *College of Health, Arts & Sciences*: assemble *inside* Owens Hall. *College of Engineering, Technology & Management*: assemble *outside* Owens Hall under the covered sidewalks. Look for the sign of your major, which will be posted according to the map on page 2.

Dress Code for Commencement

We ask that men wear pants and nice shoes, women wear a dress or nice capris. Dress according to the weather-if it rains we are still on the track with ponchos-umbrellas and plastic bags for your diploma covers.

Commencement Procession

All graduates must report to Owens Hall at 9:15 am on Saturday, June 17, 2017 attired in caps and gowns for final arrangements for the processional. Please arrive on time to ensure a smooth ceremony for all graduates.

Academic Honors

At each Commencement, Oregon Tech recognizes academically outstanding students who will receive a *bachelor's degree*. These honors are based on all Oregon Tech courses. Students must have 75 Oregon Tech credits to be eligible for honors unless they are in a degree completion program. Honors for those students are based on all Oregon Tech courses and transfer courses used for the degree. Academic honors are based on the following criteria: Cum Laude (with honor) 3.50-3.74 grade point average

Magna Cum Laude (with high honor) 3.75-3.89 grade point average

Summa Cum Laude (with highest honor) 3.90-4.00 grade point average

Honors, for Commencement purposes, are calculated on **Winter** term grade point averages. A final calculation is done once Spring grades are finalized. Summer graduates are not included in the Honor calculations for Spring Commencement. Honor graduate names will be posted in the Registrar's Office at the end of May. If you believe you qualify for honors but do not find your name on the list, please contact the Registrar's Office.

Disability Accommodations

Please contact the Registrar's Office at 541.885.1301 if you or your guests need special seating or parking accommodations. You will be given a ticket for parking and seating at the Commencement Rehearsal.

