The University of Arizona Global Campus
COMMENCEMENT NEWSLETTER

Commencement Weekend Highlights

SATURDAY 5/21/22
Graduation Celebration
9 a.m. – 2 p.m.
Enjoy a day with your fellow graduates at the University of Arizona Global Campus Graduation Celebration! For a complete list of activities, see page 3.

SUNDAY 5/22/22
Commencement Ceremony
7 a.m. Check-in opens
9 a.m. Commencement begins
The University of Arizona Global Campus Commencement ceremony will take place at the McKale Memorial Center in Tucson, AZ.

HELLO, GRADUATES!
Congratulations! You have come a long way, and the spring 2022 commencement ceremony is just around the corner.

All students, both graduate and undergraduate, will attend one ceremony, which will take place at McKale Memorial Center located at 1721 E Enke Dr. in Tucson, AZ on Sunday, May 22, 2022.

The day before, on Saturday, May 21, you and your guests are invited to attend the Graduation Celebration. It will be hosted at the Marriott University Park at 880 E 2nd St, Tucson, AZ and welcomes families for a day of fun events. A complete schedule of weekend events is found on the following pages.

We look forward to celebrating with you in a few weeks.

Sincerely,

The University of Arizona Global Campus Commencement Committee

Please be aware that the in-person ceremony is subject to change if necessary due to COVID-19 restrictions or severe inclement weather. Students will be notified by email and all information will also be posted to the University of Arizona Global Campus website.

Please note: By being present at the events held throughout commencement weekend, you release the University of Arizona Global Campus from all claims regarding the use of your likeness and/or image in any print or electronic media including, but not limited to, video, TV, and newspaper.
SATURDAY 5/21/22

Honor Societies Meet & Greet
10:30 – 11:10 a.m. (SABINO)
Honor Societies members and their families. Members belonging to the following Honor Societies are invited:

- Alpha Sigma Lambda
- Delta Alpha Pi
- Golden Key International
- Phi Theta Kappa
- SALUTE
- Sigma Beta Delta
- Sigma Nu Tau
- Tau Upsilon Alpha

Faculty Meet & Greet
11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. (SABINO)
College of Arts and Sciences; Forbes School of Business and Technology®

CHAMPS and Honors Program Events
If you belong to the CHAMPS Peer Mentoring Program or you are an Honors Program graduate, there will be events taking place by invitation only. Please reach out to your program coordinator for more information.

Decorate Your Cap
There will be a station set up on Saturday if you’d like to decorate your cap and personalize it for the big event! Bring your graduation cap, and look for the decoration station on Saturday!

Student Bookstore Sale
Don’t forget to make a stop at the Bookstore sale to purchase the latest University of Arizona Global Campus gear, grab a license plate frame, select a UAGC sweatshirt, and more! The store will be open on Saturday, May 21, from 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. at the Marriott University Park and on Sunday, May 22 at the McKale Memorial Center during the commencement ceremony.

Honors Regalia
Students who have not completed their courses prior to the ceremony weekend will have their degrees evaluated two weeks prior to the ceremony to determine if they qualify for University honors. If qualifications are met as of that review, temporary honors will be awarded to the student and will be recognized at the ceremony. Any student who has earned honors or has been temporarily awarded honors will receive their regalia when they check in the morning of the ceremony. This group includes students who have been inducted into honor societies (Alpha Sigma Lambda, Delta Alpha Pi, Golden Key International Honour Society, Phi Theta Kappa, SALUTE, Sigma Beta Delta, Sigma Nu Tau, and Tau Upsilon Alpha) and/or students earning University honor designations (Cum Laude, Magna Cum Laude, or Summa Cum Laude). For students who have previously been inducted into an honor society, there is no additional cost for honors regalia. Students may not join societies the day of the ceremony. Actual honors earned are listed on official University transcripts.

Doctoral Hooding Ceremony
The University of Arizona Global Campus is excited to celebrate the doctoral graduates! The hooding ceremony is scheduled for Saturday, May 21 from 5:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. Doctoral graduates will have the opportunity to celebrate their accomplishments with friends and family and be hooded by academic leadership and Doctoral Faculty to mark the completion of their Doctoral journey. This is an invitation-only event for Doctoral graduates, family, and friends. Doctoral graduates will also participate in the Commencement Ceremony.

Get Your Picture Taken with President Paul Pastorek
SATURDAY 5/21/22
10:15 a.m. – 11 a.m. (LOBBY)
12 p.m. – 12:45 p.m. (LOBBY)
**Saturday 5/21/22 All Day Events**

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<td>9 a.m. – 2 p.m.</td>
<td>Stock up on all your favorite UAGC gear!</td>
<td>Canyon A+B</td>
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<td>Commencement Group Swag Sale</td>
<td>9 a.m. – 2 p.m.</td>
<td>Flowers/T-shirts/Kukui Nut Leis</td>
<td>Canyon A+B</td>
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<td>Jostens Sales</td>
<td>9 a.m. – 2 p.m.</td>
<td>Purchase keepsakes to commemorate this momentous event.</td>
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<td>Future Achievers Fun Zone</td>
<td>9 a.m. – 2 p.m.</td>
<td>This kids’ area is loaded with fun things to do including balloon animals, face painting, games, and more.</td>
<td>Ventana</td>
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<td>Career Services</td>
<td>9 a.m. – 2 p.m.</td>
<td>Start your post graduation planning now. Stop and talk about your future with our Career Services &amp; Alumni Relations staff. Dress your best (e.g., blazer or collared shirt) to take advantage of receiving a professional headshot from our photographer for use on your LinkedIn profile.</td>
<td>Resource Fair</td>
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<td>Cap Decorating Station</td>
<td>9 a.m. – 2 p.m.</td>
<td>Bring your graduation cap so you can decorate and personalize it for the big event!</td>
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<td>Photo Station</td>
<td>9 a.m. – 2 p.m.</td>
<td>Make sure to remember your visit by taking a photo with fun props and your family to share on social media! #UAGCgrad22</td>
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**Saturday 5/21/22 Scheduled Events**

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<td>Military Appreciation Event</td>
<td>9:30 a.m. – 10:10 a.m.</td>
<td>Military and Veteran graduates, along with their families, are invited to be recognized.</td>
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<td>Picture with the President</td>
<td>10:15 a.m. – 11 a.m. Noon – 12:45 p.m.</td>
<td>Get your photo taken with the University of Arizona Global Campus President, Paul Pastorek</td>
<td>Lobby</td>
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<td>Golden Key International Honour Society Service Event</td>
<td>11:10 a.m. – 2 p.m.</td>
<td>It has become tradition during graduation weekend to have a brief service event involving the University of Arizona Global Campus honor societies. This spring we are helping the Sister José Women’s Center located in Tucson. We will package up cards and gifts for the residents of the Center. All students may participate in this service event.</td>
<td>Resource Fair</td>
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<td>Faculty Meet &amp; Greet Forbes School of Business &amp; Technology® and College of Arts and Sciences</td>
<td>11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.</td>
<td>Meet the Executive Dean, Associate Deans, advisors, and faculty members from your college!</td>
<td>Sabino</td>
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<td>Picture with Wilbur and Wilma</td>
<td>12:30 p.m. – 2 p.m.</td>
<td>Say hello to the University of Arizona mascots!</td>
<td>Lobby</td>
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Stay connected! #UAGCgrad22

Follow us on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), and [Instagram](#) for up-to-date information, contests, and more.
Commencement Ceremony Parking

Beginning at 6:30 a.m. on Sunday, May 22, the Cherry Avenue Garage, on East Enke Dr and Cherry Ave, will open for graduates and guests to park.

Students who need special accommodations will need to be dropped off at the south side of McKale Memorial Center on East Enke Dr, and then your party may proceed to the parking lot.

Parking will be free on the day of the event. Once you have parked your vehicle, please proceed to the McKale Memorial Center. Students will report to the East side of the facility while families can enter on the West side.

NOTE: Traffic to and from the event can be very congested. Please take this into consideration when planning travel arrangements. It could take 30 minutes to an hour to exit the parking structures after the ceremony.

Accommodations and Accessibility

Graduates requiring accommodation for a disability should contact the Office of Student Access and Wellness at access@uagc.edu a minimum of two weeks prior to the ceremony in order to ensure all requests may be met. Special seating areas will be designated for guests who are pregnant, elderly, or who have disabilities. Please have guests arrive early to ensure they are able to access the designated seating area and have them notify event staff that they are a guest needing special seating.

McKale Memorial Center Protocol

Children are not allowed in the student staging area or on the Arena floor. All children must be accompanied by an adult. The University of Arizona Global Campus will be unable to provide any childcare services.

Saturday, May 21 - Parking

Beginning at 9 a.m. (earlier for invitation only events) on Saturday, May 21, students can make their way to the Marriott University Park. There is free parking available at the the Main Gate Garage (Saturday and Sunday only) 815 E 2nd St, Tucson, AZ 85719.

Sunday, May 22 - Planning for Your Ceremony

TICKETING

Tickets will not be issued for the commencement. Instead, we will offer open seating. Seating at the McKale Memorial Center will be limited and will be available on a first-come, first-served basis.

COVID-19 PROTOCOL

As of today, visitors are required to wear a mask at all times while in McKale Center. University of Arizona campus guidance requires the use of surgical or higher-grade face masks be worn.

CLEAR BAG POLICY

The Clear Bag Policy limits the size and type of bags that may be brought into our venues. The following is a list of bags that will be accepted for entry:

- Bags that are clear plastic or vinyl and do not exceed 12” x 6” x 12”
- One-gallon clear plastic freezer bags (Ziploc® bag or similar)
- Small clutch bags, approximately the size of a hand, after being searched

Exceptions will be made for medically necessary items after proper inspection, including but not limited to oxygen tanks, diabetes kits, allergy pens, etc.

You’ve earned it!

Congratulations to the University of Arizona Global Campus spring 2022 graduates!
Protocol for Receiving Diploma Covers on Stage

For all colleges, the Executive Dean or Dean of the College will announce each degree one at a time. When called, candidates will rise and file to the right or left of the stage depending on where they are seated. Once on the stage, candidates will hand their information cards to a UAGC representative. The student’s name will be announced over the loudspeakers at McKale Center. The candidates then proceed to UAGC President, Paul Pastorek, or Sarah Steinberg, Provost, to shake hands and receive their diploma cover. All candidates then exit the stage from the front center steps and proceed down the center aisle back to their original seat.

Please note: Diplomas will not be issued at the ceremony. Diplomas will be ordered and mailed to your address on file upon completion of all degree requirements and payment of any outstanding balance due to the University.

Appropriate Commencement Attire

Graduates should wear appropriate business attire, such as dresses, skirts, dress slacks, dress shirts, neck ties, etc. Please wear dark, comfortable shoes as graduates may be standing for long periods of time or walking some distance. Mortar boards should be worn with the point above the nose and flat so that the square part is level. Master’s candidates should have their tassels on the left side. Bachelor’s candidates should have their tassels on the right side. Proper decorum is expected of all participants.

Photography and Video

Each graduate will have photos taken by official photographers provided by the University of Arizona Global Campus. Graduates will be emailed the photography website link approximately five weeks after the ceremony. Graduates are permitted to share, download, and make copies of the photos and video. There will also be an option to purchase the photos/video from the professional site. Graduates and guests may take photographs during the ceremonies from their seats but are prohibited to take photos in the aisles or block the sight lines of other guests for long periods of time.

Disability Services

The University of Arizona Global Campus is committed to universal access and welcomes the participation of all graduates and guests. Graduates requiring accommodation for a disability should contact the Office of Student Access and Wellness at access@uagc.edu. Accessible seating is available for guests who use wheelchairs and for those with mobility limitations. Due to the large number of attendees, seating is limited, and priority is given to those requiring accessible seating. We thank you for your understanding. Elevator access and wheelchair seating in the McKale Center is available.

Captioning and ASL Interpreting

Commencement activities will be live captioned on a video monitor for the commencement ceremony. For guests who use American Sign Language interpreting, seating is available near the graduate seating area. Interpreters will be situated on the stage.

UAGC Swag and Gear

Items will be for sale on Saturday at the Marriott and on Sunday at the McKale Memorial Center near the entrance for guests.
**Sunday Commencement Map**

1 - Parking  
Cherry Ave. Garage

2 - Graduate Check-in  
East side of McKale

3 - Guest Entrance  
West Side of McKale

4 - ADA Drop Off  
South Side of McKale

Please reach out to graduation.information@uagc.edu with any questions.

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**First Aid and Medical Assistance**

Emergency Medical Services staff will be on site.

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**Webcast**

The University ceremony will be broadcast live. The link can be found online at uagc.edu/student-experience/graduation.

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**Things To Do in Tucson, AZ**

Wondering what to do or where to eat while you are in Tucson for the weekend? VisitTucson.org has everything you need to know to make your stay in Tucson a great one. From the website, you can find a list of attractions, restaurants, or activities to keep you busy.

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**Questions?**

We hope this newsletter answers a lot of your questions. Visit uagc.edu/student-experience/graduation for more details on traveling to Tucson, local hotel information, and much more.

If you have any questions or concerns, email graduation.information@uagc.edu.