COMMENCEMENT GUEST GUIDE 2021

PHARMACY HOODING — OSTERHOUT CONCERT THEATER

PARKING

Guest parking: Parking Garage - follow the signs
Guest handicap-accessible parking: Lot C
Student parking: Parking Garage - follow the signs

Note that ALL cars (guest and student) must be moved from these lots immediately following the end of the ceremony. If staying on campus, you can use the “M Lots.”

STEP-BY-STEP PLAN FOR GUESTS

1. Arrive no earlier than one hour prior to the ceremony to validate your negative test, full vaccination or COVID-19 information. There will be signs directing you to the Validation Station located before the stairs to the main entrance. Handicap accessible. See below for full details regarding what is required.

2. Doors open no earlier than 30 minutes prior to the ceremony. We ask that you socially distance if you must line up.

3. You may enter the Anderson Center 30 minutes prior to the ceremony, at which point your ticket will be scanned.

4. Immediately after the end of the ceremony, exit the Anderson Center and move your car out of the parking garage. We encourage you to meet your graduate off campus.

See COVID-19 REQUIREMENTS on next page
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Anyone attending a ceremony MUST show ONE of the following at the Validation Station up to one hour prior to the ceremony:

• a negative antigen COVID test result within 6 hours of the ceremony you will be attending
• a negative PCR COVID test result within 72 hours of the ceremony you will be attending. (Test and results must have been completed within 72 hours of the event.)
• proof of full vaccination 14 days prior to the event
• proof of having had COVID within the past 90 days. Individuals who have fully recovered from a lab-confirmed case of COVID-19 in the last three months, and who do not have any recent or current symptoms, are not required to produce a recent negative diagnostic test result but must provide proof of illness and recovery (e.g., proof of a prior positive test result or completed order of isolation within the last 90 days).

Must be shown on an app, screenshot or paper form and must include name, DOB and date of test, vaccination or lab-confirmed case. For full details see below:

ACCEPTABLE FORMS OF PROOF
Evidence of positive test must show first name, last name, DOB, test result and test date
• Paper document with info above
• electronic document with info above
• letter from medical provider with info above
Evidence of vaccination must show date of immunization(s); two each for Pfizer and Moderna; one for J&J
• official vaccination card or copy of vaccination card
• letter from medical provider stating you are fully vaccinated or with dates of vaccine
• copy of medical provider’s vaccination record
• copy of NYS Immunization Information System record showing immunization
• electronic proof of vaccination (NYS Excelsior passport)

If you arrive to your ceremony without any of the above forms of proof, you will be sent to the on-campus testing center for an antigen test. If time allows following receipt of negative results, you may attend your scheduled ceremony.

*Testing disclaimer
Everyone who has a ticket must be vaccinated or tested, therefore we cannot have anyone in the Events Center who is not ticketed or not two years of age or under. Anyone older than two must be a ticketed guest in their own seat.

IF YOU NEED AN ANTIGEN TEST
(within 6 hours of the Grad Walk)
• You must make an appointment at this link: [form.jotform.com/211178398014153.]
• The Antigen Testing Center is located in the Mandela Room of the University Union.
• Guest parking for the testing center will be in Lot Q1, Lot T and Lot Q2 (handicap accessible). You will be directed to a specific lot upon arrival.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
• Masks must be worn at all times, including outside of the Anderson Center as this is a large event.
• Only two guests per graduate have been issued tickets and are allowed to enter the venue.
• Seating is randomly assigned. All seats have a clear view of the stage!
• While waiting in any line, have the item needed to present open and ready to be shown.
• Make sure your student has sent you your tickets prior to arrival at the Anderson Center.

FULL SCHEDULE OF EVENTS: binghamton.edu/commencement/schedule.html