

WELCOME TO Commencement

Helpful Tips and Important Notes

Central All-Schools Ceremony on the Quadrangle (8:00 a.m.)

In order to maintain emergency medical access routes in the graduate seating area, a new Quadrangle pedestrian plan has been established. As illustrated on the annotated map, this plan involves closed walkways and detours for those guests needing to cross the Quadrangle. To avoid these detours, please take note of the **recommended Quadrangle entrance** (North, South, East or West) on the annotated map to ensure that you are entering at the area closest to your preferred seating area. We identified those areas closest to the graduate seating for your school, as well as those closest to the processional and recessional paths.

Please be respectful of other guests by not standing in aisles, blocking guest paths with strollers or tripods, or standing for photographs during the ceremony.

A select number of **high-resolution photographs** (keynote speaker, students assembled, overall scene) will be posted at the Commencement website by early afternoon for your use so that you can enjoy your time at Commencement without worrying about getting the "perfect" shot. Likewise, we encourage you to utilize the services of the diploma ceremony photographers who have the best angle to capture each graduate at the moment of their diploma presentation.

Parking, Shuttles, and Guests with Mobility Concerns

For those attending both the central ceremony and the school diploma ceremony, we recommend that you park at the deck **closest to the diploma ceremony** (highlights on the annotated map) and walk or ride the shuttles to the Quadrangle. This ensures that you are close to your car at the end of the Commencement activities.

The **Oxford Road Parking Deck is reserved for guests with mobility concerns and disabilities**. All decks have limited accessible parking available. We do not recommend that guests with mobility concerns park at the Fishburne Parking Deck because it does not have an elevator or shuttle service availability. There are areas marked "Special Seating" on the Quadrangle Map. Those seats are reserved for those who have pre-registered for seating in that area, though space may remain for those needing special seating who did not pre-register.

Please take note of the three special Commencement shuttle routes (marked *Peavine*, *Michael Street*, and *Clairmont*) named for the primary deck that they service. These special shuttles will pick up at numerous locations along the marked routes, and will make stops at the major Commencement venues.

The main-gate entrance to Campus (near North Decatur & Oxford roads) is reserved for **passenger drop-off only** (between the Administration Building and White Hall at the West Entrance of the Quadrangle). Please use Clifton Road for access to the majority of campus parking decks.

Out of respect for the businesses operating around Emory, and residents in the adjacent neighborhoods, please do not park in any of these areas: the SunTrust Bank lot on North Decatur Road, any Emory Village business parking lot (especially the CVS lot), or neighborhood streets. We also ask that you avoid the Emory Clinic and Lowergate North parking decks as they are not free and are needed for patients visiting the medical facilities.

While all Commencement parking decks are free on Commencement Day, all other parking regulations are strictly enforced. Your car may be booted or towed if improperly parked. On campus, please do not park in any spaces marked no-parking, 24 Hour Reserved, carpool, or Service Vehicles Only.

Bookstore

In addition to the primary Emory Bookstore location in the Oxford Road Building, two satellite tables will be available at either end of the Quad for flowers and other items for purchase.

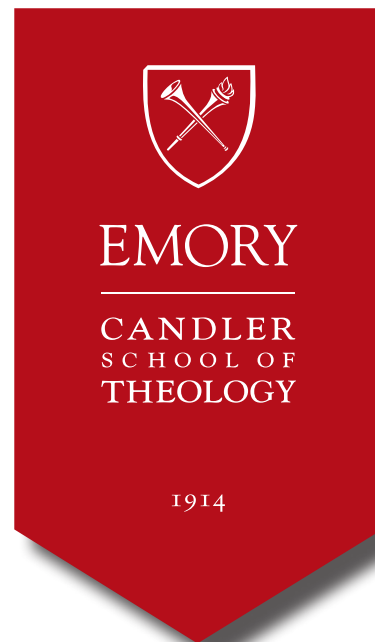
Inclement Weather

The main Emory website (www.emory.edu) is the best and fastest way to learn if either the "Light Rain" or the "Severe Weather" plan has been activated. You may also call **404-727-1234** after 6:00 a.m. on Commencement morning for a recorded message. Please see www.emory.edu/commencement for full details on the inclement weather plan.

Candler School of Theology Brunch and Diploma Ceremony Timing

Following Emory University's opening Commencement exercises, Candler graduates, their families, and friends, along with Candler faculty and staff are invited to brunch in Rudolph Courtyard, outside of Cannon Chapel from 10:00 a.m. to noon.

Diploma ceremony at Glenn Memorial Auditorium at 12:30 p.m. immediately following Candler's Commencement brunch.



This ceremonial banner, called a *gonfalon*, will precede the candidates for degrees as they march to the central all-schools ceremony and as they march to the school's diploma ceremony.

Look for these signs in the same color and style as you exit the Quadrangle to guide you to the diploma ceremony location.



Quadrangle to Brunch Directional Signs

Quick Links

Area hotels:

<http://tinyurl.com/grad-hotels>

Area restaurants:

<http://tinyurl.com/grad-dining>

Live Captioning Available

Have an internet-capable mobile device? Chances are you can view live text captioning from your seat on the Quadrangle. For more details, and to test your device, visit:

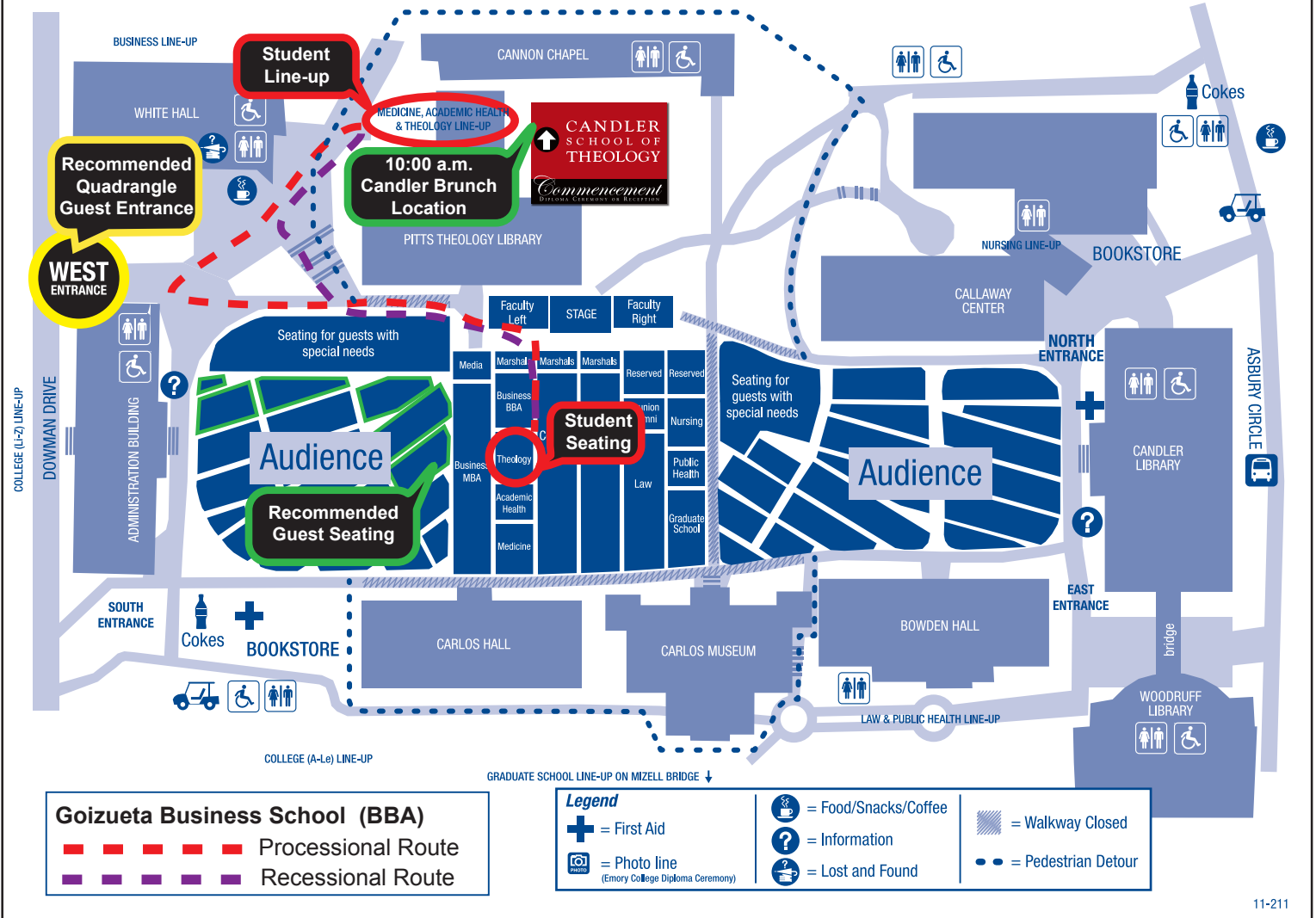
www.emory.edu/commencement/caption



Follow late-breaking Commencement updates and tips on Twitter.

<http://twitter.com/emorygraduation>

2011 Commencement Quadrangle Seating Plan



Important Websites

Want a larger copy of the maps? Full-page PDF versions (with and without school-specific annotation) are available at: www.emory.edu/commencement

Candler School of Theology Commencement Website: <http://tinyurl.com/commCANDLER> (shortened URL for easy entering on mobile devices)

Central Ceremony Live Text Captioning for Hearing Impaired <http://tinyurl.com/gradcaption>

Inclement Weather Plan <http://tinyurl.com/businessRAIN>

