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**SCAD** COMMENCEMENT

Dear SCAD parent,

As Commencement 2014 rapidly approaches, we offer our sincerest congratulations to you and your student for this accomplishment. What a milestone. What a momentous occasion.

Since 1981, commencement has remained a special occasion at SCAD, and it provides an opportunity for the university community as a whole to celebrate our students' artistic and academic achievements. To accommodate the growth of SCAD, and especially the graduating class of 2014, we are planning commencement with singular care and innovation.

In this booklet, you will find a master schedule of events for the weekend, including details of each ceremony, a map of the historic district of Savannah, a list of downtown hotels, a checklist for graduates and contact information should you have any questions about commencement.

We look forward to a memorable and successful Commencement 2014 for all.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Sam McCormick". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized "S" at the beginning.

Sam McCormick  
Director of Events

## SCHEDULE OF CEREMONIES

*Savannah Civic Center, 301 W. Oglethorpe Ave.  
Martin Luther King Jr. Arena*

### **SATURDAY, MAY 31, 2014**

#### **8 a.m.**

Doors open for Presidential Conferment of Degrees Ceremony

#### **9–10:30 a.m.**

Presidential Conferment of Degrees Ceremony

#### **Noon**

Doors open for Presentation of Degrees Ceremony 1

#### **1–3 p.m.**

#### **Presentation of Degree Ceremony 1**

School of Communication Arts

School of Design

School of Fashion

School of Fine Arts

#### **3:30 p.m.**

Doors open for Presentation of Degrees Ceremony 2

#### **4–6 p.m.**

#### **Presentation of Degree Ceremony 2**

School of Building Arts

School of Digital Media

School of Entertainment Arts

School of Liberal Arts

### ■ CEREMONY INFORMATION

#### **PRESIDENTIAL CONFERMENT OF DEGREES CEREMONY**

#### **SATURDAY, MAY 31, 9 A.M.**

*Savannah Civic Center, Martin Luther King Jr. Arena*

Due to limited seating availability in the Savannah Civic Center arena, we are only able to offer four tickets to the Presidential Conferment of Degrees Ceremony and seven tickets to the Presentation of Degrees Ceremony to each graduate. Tickets are required for entry into each ceremony. Please refer to page 5 for commencement ticket information.

### ■ PRESENTATION OF DEGREES CEREMONY 1

#### **SATURDAY, MAY 31, 1 P.M.**

*Savannah Civic Center*

*Martin Luther King Jr. Arena*

#### **School of Communication Arts**

Advertising

Graphic design

Illustration

Illustration design

Sequential art

#### **School of Design**

Design for sustainability

Design management

Fibers

Industrial design

Jewelry

Service design

#### **School of Fashion**

Accessory design

Fashion

Fashion marketing and management

Luxury and fashion management

#### **School of Fine Arts**

Painting

Photography

Printmaking

Sculpture

### ■ PRESENTATION OF DEGREES CEREMONY 2

#### **SATURDAY, MAY 31, 4 P.M.**

*Savannah Civic Center*

*Martin Luther King Jr. Arena*

#### **School of Building Arts**

Architectural history

Architecture

Furniture design

Historic preservation

Interior design

Urban design

#### **School of Digital Media**

Animation

Interactive design and game development

Motion media design

Television producing

Visual effects

#### **School of Entertainment Arts**

Dramatic writing

Film and television

Performing arts

Production design

Sound design

Themed entertainment design

#### **School of Liberal Arts**

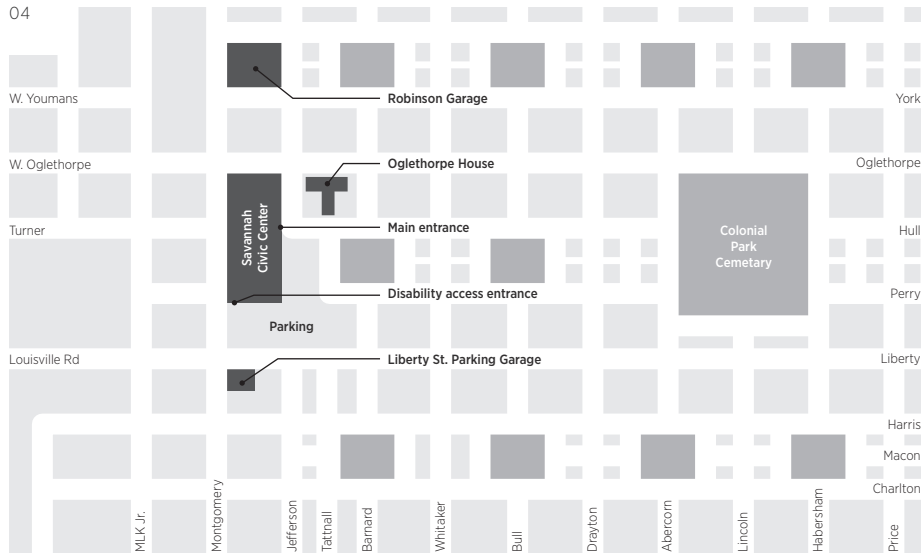
Art history

Arts administration

Cinema studies

Equestrian studies

Writing



## GUEST ENTRANCE AND SEATING

Guests may enter the Savannah Civic Center through the Liberty Street or Montgomery Street entrances. Tickets are required. Guests and graduating students will not be allowed to hold or reserve seats. Guests will not be allowed on the arena floor before, during or after the ceremony, and they should exit the building as soon as possible after each ceremony so that preparations may be made for the next ceremony.

### DISABILITY ACCESS

Handicapped-accessible seating is available if your guests require special accommodation for a disability. **Contact Ashley Nelson at 912.525.5114 or [anelson@scad.edu](mailto:anelson@scad.edu)** for disability seating arrangements.

Because of limited handicapped-accessible seating, only one person may accompany the individual in the designated seating area.

A designated handicapped-accessible parking area is available on a first-come, first-served basis. A state-issued handicapped sticker or parking permit is required.

Please reserve designated seating and parking areas for individuals truly requiring accommodation.

Refer to the diagram above for handicapped-accessible entry into the Savannah Civic Center.

### PRESIDENTIAL CONFERMENT OF DEGREES CEREMONY, 9 A.M.

*Four tickets*

### PRESENTATION OF DEGREES CEREMONY 1, 1 P.M.

*Seven tickets*

School of Communication Arts  
School of Design  
School of Fashion  
School of Fine Arts

### PRESENTATION OF DEGREES CEREMONY 2, 4 P.M.

*Seven tickets*

School of Building Arts  
School of Digital Media  
School of Entertainment Arts  
School of Liberal Arts

### COMMENCEMENT TICKETS

Due to limited seating available in the Martin Luther King Jr. Arena, all guests must possess a ticket to attend the ceremonies.

For guests without tickets, the ceremonies will be broadcast live in the Johnny Mercer Theatre, located inside the Savannah Civic Center.

Non-ticketed guests should arrive approximately one hour prior to each ceremony to take a place in the "simulcast line," located on the east side of the Savannah Civic Center outside the East entrance.

Students must have completed all graduation requirements in order to pick up Commencement 2014 tickets. Refer to the checklist on page 7 for a list of graduation requirements. Students will not be issued their allotted tickets if they do not participate in the commencement ceremonies.

### TICKET PICKUP

Commencement tickets can be picked up 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., May 19–29, at the Trustees Theater box office, 216 E. Broughton St., Savannah, Georgia.

# COMMENCEMENT INFORMATION

## CONCESSIONS

Light refreshments will be available for purchase in the Savannah Civic Center lobby. Please note: Graduates will not be allowed to carry food or drinks into the designated seating area for the ceremony.

## COMMENCEMENT PROGRAMS

A commencement program listing the names of all graduates will be placed on each graduate's seat. Guests will receive a program upon entry into the Martin Luther King Jr. Arena.

## DIPLOMAS/TRANSCRIPTS

Diplomas will be mailed to graduates at their provided diploma mailing address. Please ensure your graduate updates his or her diploma address (DA) on the graduation application. Diplomas will be mailed six to eight weeks after graduation.

## CAP AND GOWN

Cap and gown orders are due April 18. Contact Herff Jones if your student has not yet made arrangements for a cap and gown for Commencement 2014. A SCAD representative for Herff Jones may be reached at **912.764.9314** or through [collegegrad.herffjones.com](http://collegegrad.herffjones.com). Graduation announcements and class rings are also available from Herff Jones.

*Caps and gowns can be picked up by students:*

<b>Wednesday, May 28</b>	<b>11 a.m. to 5 p.m.</b>	<b>Oglethorpe House ballroom</b>
<b>Thursday, May 29</b>	<b>11 a.m. to 5 p.m.</b>	<b>Oglethorpe House ballroom</b>
<b>Friday, May 30</b>	<b>10 a.m. to 1 p.m.</b>	<b>Oglethorpe House ballroom</b>

## eLEARNING

SCAD eLearning candidates may participate in Commencement 2014. To participate, eLearning candidates should follow the procedures for undergraduate and graduate students.

## PHOTOGRAPHY

Grad Images Inc. will photograph all students as they accept their diplomas. A passport-sized photo proof and order form will be sent within 30 days of commencement to the address provided during commencement rehearsal. For additional information, visit [gradimages.com](http://gradimages.com) or call **800.261.2576**.

## WEBCAST

Commencement 2014 will be webcast simultaneously and can be accessed at [scad.edu/commencement](http://scad.edu/commencement).

## SECURITY POLICY

Bags are not allowed in the Savannah Civic Center. Students will be permitted to check their keys prior to the ceremony, but no additional storage will be provided.

Designated stroller parking areas will be located outside the Savannah Civic Center entrances. These areas will be monitored by a security representative for the duration of the ceremony.

Please plan accordingly, and thank you for your cooperation. Contact [events@scad.edu](mailto:events@scad.edu) if you have specific questions.

## GRADUATION CHECKLIST

Students who have completed all requirements and coursework by the end of spring quarter 2014 may participate in Commencement 2014. The following checklist is your guide to ensuring all graduation arrangements are complete. Your student should have already contacted his or her graduation auditor to confirm the following information:

- GPA requirements for graduation have been met.**
- Completed graduation application has been submitted to the registrar's office.** (Graduation applications should be submitted for review two quarters prior to the quarter a student expects to graduate.)

### *Application Deadlines*

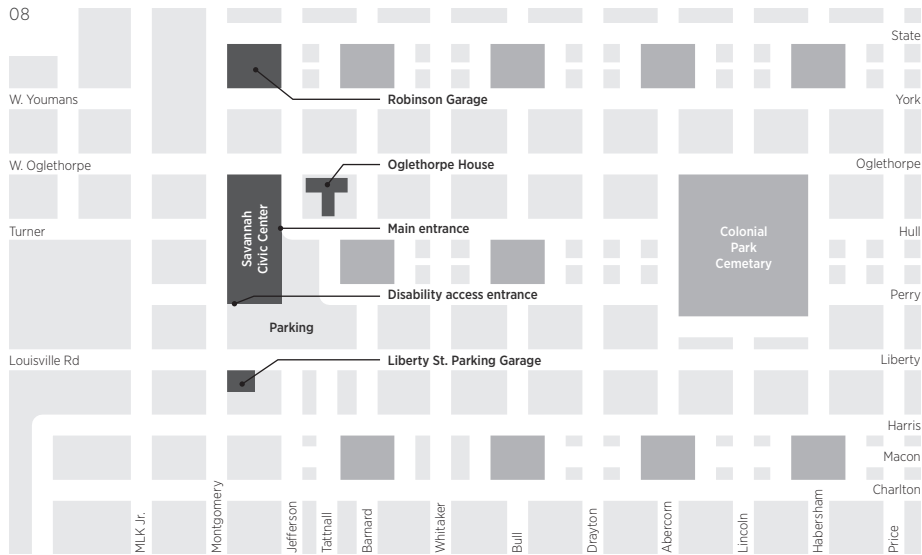
**Winter 2014 applications**    **Jan. 10**

**Spring 2014 applications**    **March 28**

- Correct local and permanent student addresses are on file.**
- Cap and gown are ordered from Herff Jones by April 18.**
- Check with the following departments to ensure all accounts are clear.**  
Student financial services office: **912.525.6104** or [sfs@scad.edu](mailto:sfs@scad.edu)  
Jen Library: **912.525.4700**
- Confirm with registrar's office that all graduation requirements have been met.** Registers office: **912.525.5800** or [registrar@scad.edu](mailto:registrar@scad.edu)

## QUESTIONS

Registrar's office: **912.525.5800** or [registrar@scad.edu](mailto:registrar@scad.edu)



# PARKING AND ACCOMMODATIONS

## ■ PARKING

Parking at the Savannah Civic Center is reserved for students participating in Commencement 2014 and their guests. Additional overflow parking is available at City of Savannah parking garages. Carpooling is encouraged.

### Robinson Garage

Open 24 hours a day/seven days a week ■ Cost is \$3 per day. ■ A SCAD Shuttle will be available to transport guests from the Robinson Garage to the Savannah Civic Center.

### Liberty Street Garage

Open Monday-Friday, 6 a.m. to 1 a.m.; Saturday, 5 a.m. to 3 a.m.; Sunday, 5 a.m. to 1 a.m. ■ Cost is \$5 per day (event rate charged by the City of Savannah).

## ■ ACCOMMODATIONS

### Savannah Hotels

#### DoubleTree Hotel

411 W. Bay St. ■ 888.370.0998

#### Residence Inn

500 W. Charlton St. ■ 855.499.0001

#### Hilton Garden Inn Midtown

5711 Abercorn St. ■ 855.499.0001

#### Studio Homes at Ellis Square

120 W. Bryan St. ■ 800.456.0009

#### Inn At Ellis Square

201 W. Bay St. ■ 877.542.7666

#### Embassy Suites Savannah

605 W. Oglethorpe Ave. ■ 800.445.8667

#### Wingate by Wyndham

11 Gateway Blvd. E. ■ 866.411.7666

#### Thunderbird Inn

611 W. Oglethorpe Ave. ■ 866.715.0006

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