



MEMORANDUM

TO: HPD Faculty and Administrators
College of Health Care Sciences (*except Physical Therapy*)
College of Nursing

FROM: The Commencement Team

DATE: June 13, 2016

SUBJECT: 2016 HPD August Commencement Faculty Information

NSU Commencement publically recognizes your graduating students for their hard work, intellectual efforts, and academic achievements. Your participation is very meaningful to them and their families. It demonstrates your positive support on this joyous occasion.

The 2016 Health Professions Division August Commencement for the College of Health Care Sciences (except the Physical Therapy programs) and College of Nursing will take place on Friday, August 19 at 2:00 p.m., in [The Arena at the Don Taft University Center](#) (UC) on the NSU main campus in Fort Lauderdale, Florida.

All members of the processional should arrive at 1:00 p.m. Please remember that as the starting time draws closer, general parking will become more difficult.

In order to make this a memorable event for all, please become familiar with the following processes:

Regalia

Reserve your seat and order regalia online at <https://www.nova.edu/webforms/fcpf/index.html>. *It is important that anyone who plans on attending commencement completes the electronic Commencement Participation Form (CPF), even if you have your own regalia.*

If you need regalia, after submitting the CPF, you will be redirected to the NSU Bookstore website. Follow the prompts to complete the order for appropriate regalia. Write out your degree (no abbreviations, please) to assist bookstore personnel in providing you the correct color hood. There is no cost to you at check out. The online regalia order deadline is Friday, July 15, 2016. Regalia can be picked up at the University Park Plaza (UPP) north NSU Bookstore beginning on August 8, 2016 or at the UC in the Black Box Theatre on the day of commencement.

Parking

Faculty should park in the [Public Library and Student Main Parking Garage](#) located on Ray Ferrero, Jr. Blvd (directly across from the Carl DeSantis Building). The Arena at the Don Taft University Center is located 200 yards south of the parking garage. There are handicap accessible parking spaces located on every level of the garage near the elevators. Golf carts will be in operation before and after the ceremony to transport faculty with special needs to and from the parking garage and the UC.

Enter the Don Taft University Center through the north entrances directly across from the Alvin Sherman Library and proceed to the faculty staging area – The Black Box Theatre.

The Black Box Theatre

The Black Box Theatre is located on the first floor on the north side of the UC, in the Performing and Visual Arts (PVA) wing, directly inside the north entrance. Light refreshments, chairs, restrooms, and full-length mirrors will be available for your convenience. A bookstore representative will also be on hand for regalia distribution.

The academic procession consisting of the candidates and faculty are led into the arena by the grand marshal. Immediately following the ceremony, borrowed regalia can be returned to the NSU Bookstore table in the Black Box Theatre. Borrowed regalia must be returned to the NSU Bookstore within seven (7) business days of the ceremony.

Senior Awards Dinner & Dance

The Senior Awards Dinner & Dance is scheduled for Thursday, August 18, 2016, at the Signature Grand, 6900 W State Rd 84, in Fort Lauderdale, FL 33317. The affair begins with a wine and cheese reception, followed by dinner, and dancing. Business attire is suggested and the bringing of children is strongly discouraged. Faculty members are urged to attend and your specific Dean or program office will pay for your ticket. You are also encouraged to invite additional guests at \$85.00 per person. Information and the link for the online RSVP and dining choices are available at <https://www.nova.edu/cqi-bin/awardsdinner/AwardsDinner.cqi>.

Commencement Live Streaming

All Nova Southeastern University Commencement ceremonies are streamed in real time as a free service provided by the university for families and friends who are unable to attend the ceremony in person.

Guests will also have the opportunity to view a live telecast of the ceremony via closed circuit televisions at three convenient on-campus locations: the [Flight Deck Pub](#) and Performing and Visual Arts Theater in the Don Taft University Center and at the [Rose and Alfred Miniaci Performing Arts Center](#) in the Alvin Sherman Library. Seating is available on a first-come, first-served basis. The sign language interpreter is visible on the live telecast screen. The simulcast viewing is not closed captioned.

The Flight Deck Pub offers a family-friendly environment conducive to guests with small children who may become fidgety due to the length of the ceremony, which should be about two-and-a-half hours.

NSU Commencement ceremonies are also video streamed in real time. Visit the [NSU Commencement website](#) and click on the "Commencement Ceremony Live" icon for access. All commencement video streams are archived on the NSU Commencement website approximately one week after the ceremony.

Commencement Information

For complete information on this year's ceremony and important updates, visit the [NSU Commencement website](#), view the online [frequently asked questions](#), or print a copy of the [commencement handbook](#).