Guest Guide to Post-Licensure and Graduate Commencement FAQs & Event Details: February 28-29, 2020

Where and when are the networking event and ceremony?

- All commencement activities are held at the Renaissance Schaumburg Hotel & Convention Center in Schaumburg, IL.

Renaissance Schaumburg Hotel & Convention Center
1551 Thoreau Drive
Schaumburg, IL 60173

- Use this link to book overnight accommodations in the Chamberlain room block by 5:00pm on Wednesday, February 5, 2020. Availability is limited.
- Many hotels are in the area including:
  - Embassy Suites
  - Hyatt Place
  - Doubletree
  - Hilton Garden Inn

Friday, February 28, 2020
Meet and Greet Networking Event
*Ticketed Event
5:00pm – 7:00pm
Meet Faculty and Administration

Saturday, February 29, 2020
DNP and RN to BSN Commencement Ceremony
*Ticketed Event
9:00am – 11:00am
Guest doors will open at 8:30am
The order of graduates will be: DNP – Advanced Practice Leadership, DNP – Healthcare Systems Leadership, RN to BSN

*Students will be seated per specialty track and not in alphabetical order.

MSN and MPH Commencement Ceremony
*Ticketed Event
12:30pm – 2:30pm
Guest doors will open at 12:00pm
The order of graduates will be: MPH, MSN – Executive, MSN – Healthcare Policy, MSN – Informatics, MSN – Educator, MSN – Rn to BSN to MSN, MSN – Family Nurse Practitioner

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Where do I receive tickets?

- Chamberlain University’s Meet and Greet Networking Event and Commencement ceremonies are both ticketed events.
- Your graduate requested tickets during their graduation registration.
- Students will receive these tickets at the registration during graduation weekend.

What is the Meet and Greet Networking Event?

- Students and guests can meet and mingle with faculty, administration and fellow graduates.
- DNP students will present their DNP poster presentations, starting one hour before the networking event doors open. Guests are welcome to join.
- A cash bar is available.

Can I leave the ceremony once my graduate has crossed the stage?

- Graduates and guests should plan to stay throughout the entirety of the formal graduation ceremony.
- Please take phone calls outside of the convention center halls.

Can I walk across the stage with my graduate?

- No, we do not allow any guests including infants to walk with our graduates.

Do infants require tickets?

- Lap children are not required to have a ticket.
- Please ensure strollers or car seats do not obstruct the middle aisle.

Will photographers be available to take photos of my graduate?

- Professional photographers have been hired to take photos of your graduate.
- We understand you will be excited to see your graduate cross the stage, but we strongly encourage guests to remain seated and allow the professional photographers to take photos.

Where can I park?

- The Renaissance Schaumburg provides free, on-site and overnight parking.
Why is my student not listed in the program?

- Students may request to attend a different session commencement.
- The post-licensure & graduate graduation ceremonies will take place twice each year. Each commencement will celebrate the accomplishments of those students who completed their course work in the designated sessions:
  
  **Winter**
  - July Session
  - September Session
  - November Session

  **Summer**
  - January Session
  - March Session
  - May Session

Can I purchase flowers for my graduate on-site?

- Fabrinni Flowers will be available to purchase flowers for your graduates right outside the convention center hall doors on Saturday, February 29th.

Is there a dress code?

- The Meet and Greet Networking Event and the Commencement Ceremonies are business casual.

Accessibility and Accommodation Requests

- If you require wheelchair seating, limited mobility seating, ASL or additional accommodations, please remind your graduate to fill out the official Student and Guest Accessibility and Accommodation Request Form to ensure the correct accommodations are available.
- Guests requiring special accommodations may enter the commencement hall 15 minutes before the guest doors open and find preferred seating.

*Chamberlain University and The Renaissance Schaumburg Hotel and Convention Center do not place holds or reserve wheelchairs. If you require a wheelchair, we strongly encourage you to bring your own. Wheelchairs are limited and available on a first-come, first-served basis.

I am unable to attend graduation. Can I still watch the commencement ceremony?

- Yes, both ceremonies will be live-streamed on the Chamberlain University Facebook page: [https://www.facebook.com/chamberlainedu/](https://www.facebook.com/chamberlainedu/)
How do I get to the Renaissance Schaumburg?

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What is there to do in Schaumburg?

- Schaumburg, IL is located just outside Chicago, IL. It’s approximately 45 minutes from downtown Chicago with access to public transportation nearby.
- Schaumburg has a variety of different activities including a premium mall and shopping centers, theatre, outdoor trails, and multiple restaurants and lounges.
  - Visit [www.villageofschaumburg.com](http://www.villageofschaumburg.com) for a listing of activities just minutes from the hotel.
- Chicago, IL is host to many world-class museums, theaters, parks and city tours for you and your guests to enjoy.
  - Visit [www.choosechicago.com](http://www.choosechicago.com) for more information.
  - You can access the public transportation system (Metra) that will take you to downtown Chicago. Car rentals, taxis and private car services are also available.

Download the Chamberlain University Graduation app!

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