



THE UNIVERSITY of
MISSISSIPPI
SCHOOL OF APPLIED SCIENCES

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Dear School of Applied Sciences Graduation Candidate:

May 9th commencement will soon be here! You will receive, if you have not already, a letter from the Office of the Registrar giving instructions for the Spring Commencement Convocation in the Grove along with a parking map to share with your guests and a Frequently Asked Questions sheet that should be very helpful to you as you prepare for commencement. As soon as the ceremony in the Grove ends, you will need to proceed **immediately** to the Manning Center (formerly known as the Indoor Practice Facility), where the School of Applied Sciences commencement program will begin promptly at 11:00 a.m. **You will not have much time to get lined up before the procession starts, so you need to get over to the Manning Center and start lining up as soon as possible.** We are encouraging guests to park in the South lot and any lot on Hill Drive. These lots are marked with dark purple arrows on the map provided in your graduation invitation. If you have a guest who needs ADA handicapped parking, they should park in the parking garage on Hill Drive and Manning Way. There will be a shuttle provided to bring guests to the Grove or the Manning Center. There will also be walking paths marked to bring guests from the Grove to the Manning Center and back. This will allow you to attend both the morning ceremony in the Grove and the Applied Sciences ceremony in the Manning Center.

Name Cards – Name cards with your information on it will be available for pickup in your department office beginning May 4th. You will hand this card to the reader when you cross the stage at the Applied Sciences ceremony. Below is a list of where to pick up your name card. **YOU MUST BRING THIS CARD WITH YOU TO GRADUATION. THIS IS THE CARD THAT YOU WILL HAND TO THE ANNOUNCER BEFORE CROSSING THE STAGE. DO NOT LEAVE THE LINEUP CARD IN YOUR SEAT. Please write your current e-mail address on the back of your card as the cards will be given to the photographers, who will then send you proofs of your photos by e-mail within 3 days.**

Communication Sciences and Disorders – George Hall
Criminal Justice and Paralegal Studies – Odom Hall
Exercise Sciences and Recreation Administration – The Turner Center
Nutrition and Hospitality Management – Lenoir Hall
Social Work – Longstreet

Finding your Place in the Manning Center – Once you arrive in the Manning Center, you will need to find the line for your major. The degree programs will be divided into two sides on the football field. There will be a red side and a blue side. The color of your reader card will match the side of the field you need to proceed to in order to line up. There will be a flag on each side to match your card. Please proceed to your side of the field and find the sign for your major. Below is a list of the degree programs that will be on each side. Please line up as soon as you arrive as we will be starting promptly at 11am. You do not have to be in alphabetical order within your major.

Blue Side - MS in Comm. Sciences & Disorders
Masters of Social Work

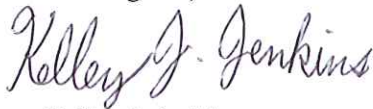
Red Side – PhD in Health & Kinesiology
MS in Health Promotions
MS in Exercise Science
MA in Recreation Administration
MS in Food & Nutrition Services
MS in Criminal Justice

Your turn on stage! – UM staff will guide your line to your designated area in the seating arrangement. You will be ushered to the stage by the Dean’s Office staff one row at a time. When you reach the stage, you will hand your card to the reader (*again, don’t leave your card in your seat!*) who will announce your name as you receive your diploma cover. A photographer will be present to capture the moment. Out of respect for any graduates who have not received their diplomas, you are asked to return to your seat until the end of the program, which should end around 12:45.

Graduation Attire – When you pick up your cap and gown at the bookstore in the Student Union, please **be sure that your tassel is gold**. At the Applied Sciences ceremony, undergraduates wear their tassels on the right and will move them to the left side after walking across the stage to shake hands with the Dean. (For the early ceremony in The Grove, you may be told by Office of the Registrar staff to wear them on the left side—just follow their directions for The Grove Ceremony.) Please be careful to wear shoes that are comfortable and will not damage the artificial turf of the indoor football field. You will deposit your cap and gown at the designated area outside the roll up doors of the Manning Center before leaving the grounds.

Web Info—Please check the UM commencement website (<http://olemiss.edu/commencement/>) frequently for updated info such as maps of designated parking areas, special needs accommodations, changes due to weather, etc. The School of Applied Sciences also has its own commencement information at http://www.olemiss.edu/depts/applied_sciences/commencement.

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Kelley J. Jenkins".

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