Dear Friends and Families of May 2020 Degree Candidates:

Commencement at UNC Greensboro represents a highlight in the life of its graduating students and in the lives of their families and friends. It also allows the university an opportunity to recognize the scholarship and achievements of graduates, as well as the sacrifices and contributions of family members toward achievement of this important goal. It is with great pleasure that the faculty and administration of UNCG invite you to participate in this joyous event honoring students who will complete degree requirements in May 2020. We look forward to making this event an enjoyable and memorable one for all who attend.

If your student applied for May 2020 graduation, this communication will provide you with some information related to the commencement ceremony. Degree candidates will be informed of their graduation status via e-mail during the month of March.

The May Commencement Ceremony. May 2020 commencement will be held in the Greensboro Coliseum, Greensboro, North Carolina, at 10:00 a.m. on Friday, May 8. The ceremony itself will last approximately two-and-one-half hours.

Regalia and RSVP. Degree candidates will be informed through their university e-mail accounts to order academic regalia through the university bookstore and to RSVP for the commencement ceremony.

Parking. Undergraduates and their guests should park in the general parking lots of the Coliseum. Parking is unlimited and free; no parking passes are required by the Coliseum. Maps are available online at http://reg.uncg.edu/commencement-central/coliseum-information.

Security. In recent years, security has been heightened at many public events and the Greensboro Coliseum has increased its security measures. Because purses and possibly coats may be checked on commencement day, we suggest that you bring only those items that are necessary. Please leave any packages, flowers, balloons, or other gifts for graduates in your vehicles as these may be confiscated.

Seating. General seating is unlimited and is not reserved. The Coliseum doors will open at 8:30 a.m. and the ceremony will begin promptly at 10:00 a.m. All guests should plan to be in their seats by 9:45 a.m. Graduates have been instructed to arrive at their designated assembly area at the Greensboro Coliseum Complex no later than 9:15 a.m. We will have special seating areas for the deaf and hard of hearing, those with restricted mobility, and those with medical problems. Please see http://reg.uncg.edu/commencement-central/guest-accommodations.
GRADUATION FEE AND DIPLOMAS. The graduation fee of $65.00 for undergraduates must be paid in the Cashiers and Student Accounts Office by April 8, 2020. The graduation fee covers some of the costs of commencement, including the diploma and diploma cover. During the departmental ceremonies, graduates will receive diploma covers; however, diplomas for May graduates will be mailed, to the address listed on the student’s degree application, after graduation clearance is finalized in June.

OUTSTANDING BALANCES OWED TO THE UNIVERSITY. Students who have outstanding financial obligations to the university will not receive diplomas in the mail, and will be unable to obtain official transcripts until such obligations have been taken care of in the Cashiers and Student Accounts Office. All debts owed the university must be cleared thirty days prior to commencement.

Please feel free to e-mail registrar@uncg.edu if we can be of assistance to you in any way regarding commencement, or you may access our website for additional commencement information at CommencementCentral.uncg.edu.

We congratulate your student on their accomplishments and look forward to seeing you in May.

Sincerely,

Dale Wasson
Interim University Registrar

Lisa M. Henline
Chair, Commencement Committee
Associate University Registrar