

North Central College

COMMENCEMENT WEEKEND

– for the class of –

2018

June 8-9, 2018

NORTH CENTRAL COLLEGE



NAPERVILLE, ILLINOIS
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What an exciting time
this is in the lives of the
graduates, their families
and friends.

We invite you to participate in the Commencement celebration, which begins with the President's Reception and Baccalaureate Service on Friday, June 8, and continues with a continental breakfast and Commencement ceremony on Saturday, June 9.

For more information, visit northcentralcollege.edu/commencement or contact Mary Reynolds at commencement@noctrl.edu or **630-637-5202**.

Receiving this brochure indicates you may have the credits necessary to graduate but does not mean you have completed the requirements for graduation. For further information, contact the Registrar's Office at 630-637-5252 or registrar@noctrl.edu.



Commencement Weekend

Schedule

JUNE 4 - 8, 2018

Senior Week Activities

Seniors—this week is for you! Join us for a variety of special events, including a pancake breakfast with great raffle prizes, the last supper at Kaufman and a Thursday evening event at Two Brothers. More information will be available at Countdown to Commencement on Wednesday, May 16, from 3 to 6 p.m. in the Wentz Concert Hall Lobby.

FRIDAY, JUNE 8, 2018

Graduate Portraits 1 - 3 p.m.

GradImages will photograph individual and/or family portraits of graduates in their caps and gowns during this time. Meet on the Old Main lawn if you are interested. There are no preassigned times. Come anytime between 1 - 3 p.m. The rain location will be Smith Hall on the second floor of Old Main.

Cardinal First Graduation Recognition & Pinning Ceremony 3 - 4 p.m.

Wentz Concert Hall

North Central Class of 2018 first-generation students and their families are invited to this celebration, where each first-generation graduate will be presented with a Cardinal First pin by a faculty or staff member of their choosing. Details about the program will be emailed to first-generation students. RSVP required by June 4. If you have questions, contact the Office of First Generation Programs at 630-637-5151.

President's Reception for Graduates 4 p.m.

Wentz Concert Hall and Madden Theatre Lobbies

All graduates, their families and members of the faculty and staff are cordially invited to attend the President's Reception honoring the Class of 2018 in the Wentz Concert Hall and Madden Theatre Lobbies. Heavy hors d'oeuvres and refreshments will be served. *To ensure we can accommodate everyone, reservations are required for all seniors and their families.* Please complete the attached form to make your reservation.

Baccalaureate Service 6:15 p.m. (Graduate lineup 6 p.m.)

Wentz Concert Hall

The Baccalaureate Service is a significant ceremony planned and conducted by the graduating class and the Office of Ministry and Service. It is a way to celebrate accomplishments, offer personal reflections and acknowledge those who have contributed to the achievements of the graduates. The nondenominational ceremony provides an opportunity to share memories with members of the Class of 2018 and their visions for the future. We encourage you and your family to attend this moving event. Please complete the attached form to make your reservation.

Graduation Rehearsal — Mandatory 7:45 p.m.

Residence Hall/Recreation Center

This hour-long **MANDATORY REHEARSAL** will review the processional, ceremony, recessional and other important details of the Commencement exercises. Graduates need to arrive at the Residence Hall/Recreation Center by 7:45 p.m.; rehearsal begins promptly at 8 p.m.

Schedule

SATURDAY, JUNE 9, 2018

Continental Breakfast 8 a.m.

Kaufman Dining Hall

Join other graduates, their families and friends for a complimentary continental breakfast.

Lineup 9 a.m.

Merner Field House

All graduates need to arrive dressed in cap and gown at Merner Field House by 9 a.m. Staff and junior marshals will assist graduates with the lineup process. Cooperation of the graduates is essential for a smooth processional.

Processional 9:40 a.m.

Merner Field House and Residence Hall/Recreation Center

Graduates will begin the processional from Merner Field House into the Residence Hall/Recreation Center arena.

Commencement 10 a.m.

Residence Hall/Recreation Center

We encourage family and friends to arrive early as seating is on a first-come, first-served basis, with **no tickets required. Doors open at 8:30 a.m.** The ceremony can also be viewed in our Wentz Concert Hall or online at northcentralcollege.edu/commencement.

Diploma Pickup

Merner Field House

Immediately following the ceremony, June graduates may pick up diplomas from the Registrar's staff in Merner Field House, barring any outstanding financial accounts.

Post-Commencement Reception 12:30 p.m.

Championship Plaza

Immediately following Commencement, all graduates, their families, guests, faculty and staff are invited to attend a reception, completing the Commencement weekend festivities.

ROTC Commissioning Ceremony 1:30 p.m.

Old Main, Smith Hall

The United States Army Rolling Thunder Battalion will commission two of our 2018 North Central graduates as second lieutenants in the U.S. Army. The public is invited.

COMMENCEMENT SEATING

Seating in the Residence Hall/Recreation Center will be on a first-come, first-served basis, with **no tickets required**. We encourage family members and friends of graduates to arrive early to allow ample time to park and secure seating prior to the beginning of the processional at 9:40 a.m. **Doors open at 8:30 a.m.** Limited special needs seating will be available. If occupancy is reached in the Residence Hall/Recreation Center, the ceremony may be viewed in Wentz Concert Hall, 171 E. Chicago Ave.

Important Information

PHOTOGRAPHS OF GRADUATES

Arrangements have been made with GradImages for a professional photographer to capture the moment each graduate receives his or her diploma. You will receive a passport-sized, full-color proof in the mail approximately one week after the ceremony. To view your graduation proof online visit **gradimages.com** and select "Pre-event Registration." This will allow you to provide an email address and GradImages will send your proof electronically. For more information, visit gradimages.com or call 1-800-261-2576.

COMMENCEMENT VIDEO

Naperville Community Television will record the event. To order your copy, complete and return the attached form.

FLOWERS FOR COMMENCEMENT

Flowers for Dreams will offer congratulatory flower bouquets for purchase outside the ceremony. They have provided a preorder option online at **flowersfordreams.com/northcentral** to reserve bouquets in advance, for pickup at the event. Product options include one dozen roses, mixed floral bouquets and graduation teddy bears in North Central red. For every bouquet sold, the company commits to donating a backpack complete with school supplies to a low-income student in need.

NORTH CENTRAL COLLEGE BOOKSTORE HOURS

The North Central College Bookstore, located at 100 E. Jefferson Ave., will be open Friday evening until 7 p.m. and Saturday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. The Bookstore also will sell merchandise outside the Residence Hall/Recreation Center on Saturday from 9 a.m. until after the ceremony.

RESIDENCE HALL CHECKOUT REMINDER

Seniors must check out of their residence hall rooms by 5 p.m., Saturday, June 9.



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Important Information

SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS

Individuals with special needs requiring additional accommodations may contact the Office of Business Operations at 630-637-5658 for assistance.

COMMENCEMENT PARKING

As with all major campus events, parking near the Residence Hall/Recreation Center for Commencement will be congested. We encourage Commencement guests to utilize campus parking lots north of Chicago Avenue (highlighted on the map for your convenience). Street parking is also available, please follow all city of Naperville signage. Information and directional signs will be posted to assist the guests of our graduates.

Limited handicapped parking is available near the Residence Hall/Recreation Center and is highlighted in blue. **Drop-off is available for elderly or special-needs guests.**

HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS

North Central has partnered with some of our Naperville hotels to offer discounted rates to all family and friends of the College. Please call the hotels directly. When confirming your reservation be sure to mention you will be in town for North Central College's Commencement Weekend.

For a complete listing of partner hotels that support North Central College, visit **northcentralcollege.edu/commencement**.



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President's Reception & Baccalaureate Service

Please check one or both boxes if attending and include the total number attending (including graduate):

☐ **President's Reception** # _____

Friday, June 8, 4 p.m.

Wentz Concert Hall & Madden Theatre Lobbies

☐ **Baccalaureate Service** # _____

Friday, June 8, 6:15 p.m., Wentz Concert Hall

GRADUATE'S NAME

NAME OF PERSON MAKING RESERVATIONS

PHONE NUMBER WHERE YOU MAY BE REACHED

EMAIL ADDRESS

PLEASE RESPOND BY:

Friday, June 1

For further information, call
Mary Reynolds at 630-637-5202.

Please mail reservation form to:

NORTH CENTRAL COLLEGE ALUMNI OFFICE

**COMMENCEMENT
RESERVATIONS**

30 N. Brainard Street, Naperville, IL 60540

Reservations are required for all attending.

Commencement DVD

order form

NUMBER OF DVDS _____ X **\$20** = \$ _____

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☐ VISA

☐ DISCOVER/NOVUS

☐ AMEX

CARD NUMBER _____

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VIN # _____

If you have questions please contact the Office of
Alumni Engagement at commencement@noctrl.edu
or 630-637-5200.

ORDER DVD BY: **Friday, June 15**

Make checks payable to North Central College.
Please mail reservation form and payment to:

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