

Graduation 2025

Thursday, May 22 – 2:30 p.m.

Kennesaw State University Convocation Center



- Wed, April 16
 - Cap + Gown distribution
 - Senior Picnic
- Fri, April 18
 - Deadline for Graduation Contract completion
 - Check student email or Walton website
- Mon, May 12 to Wed, May 14
 - Senior Final Exams

*Important
Dates* 

- Fri, May 16
 - Deadline for Senior Clearance
 - Complete courses, return laptops + books, clear fines + fees
- Tue, May 20 and Wed, May 21
 - Mandatory Graduation Practice
- Thu, May 22
 - Graduation Ceremony

*Important
Dates* 

Senior Picnic

Wed, April 16

- Park in your regular student space
- Wear a college shirt or something that indicates your plans for after graduation
- You will receive your cap and gown before the picnic
 - When you get home, take it out of the package and hang it up so that the wrinkles will fall out
 - Alterations and decorations to the mortarboard/cap and gown are not permitted



Ceremony Practices

Tue, May 20
Wed, May 21

- MANDATORY attendance – start time is 12:45 p.m. in the Walton Gym
- Enter the Walton Gym BEFORE the start time of 12:45 p.m.
- DO NOT BRING FOOD OR DRINKS.
- Casual clothing is expected – save your cap/gown for Thursday
- Do not bring bags or backpacks.
- Students will receive ceremony tickets, final report cards, cords + stoles



Commencement Day

Thu, May 22

1:00 p.m. Students arrive for lineup
KSU's Siegal Recreation Center

1:45 p.m. Guests may enter the Convocation
Center

2:30 p.m. Ceremony begins
KSU's Convocation Center



Parking

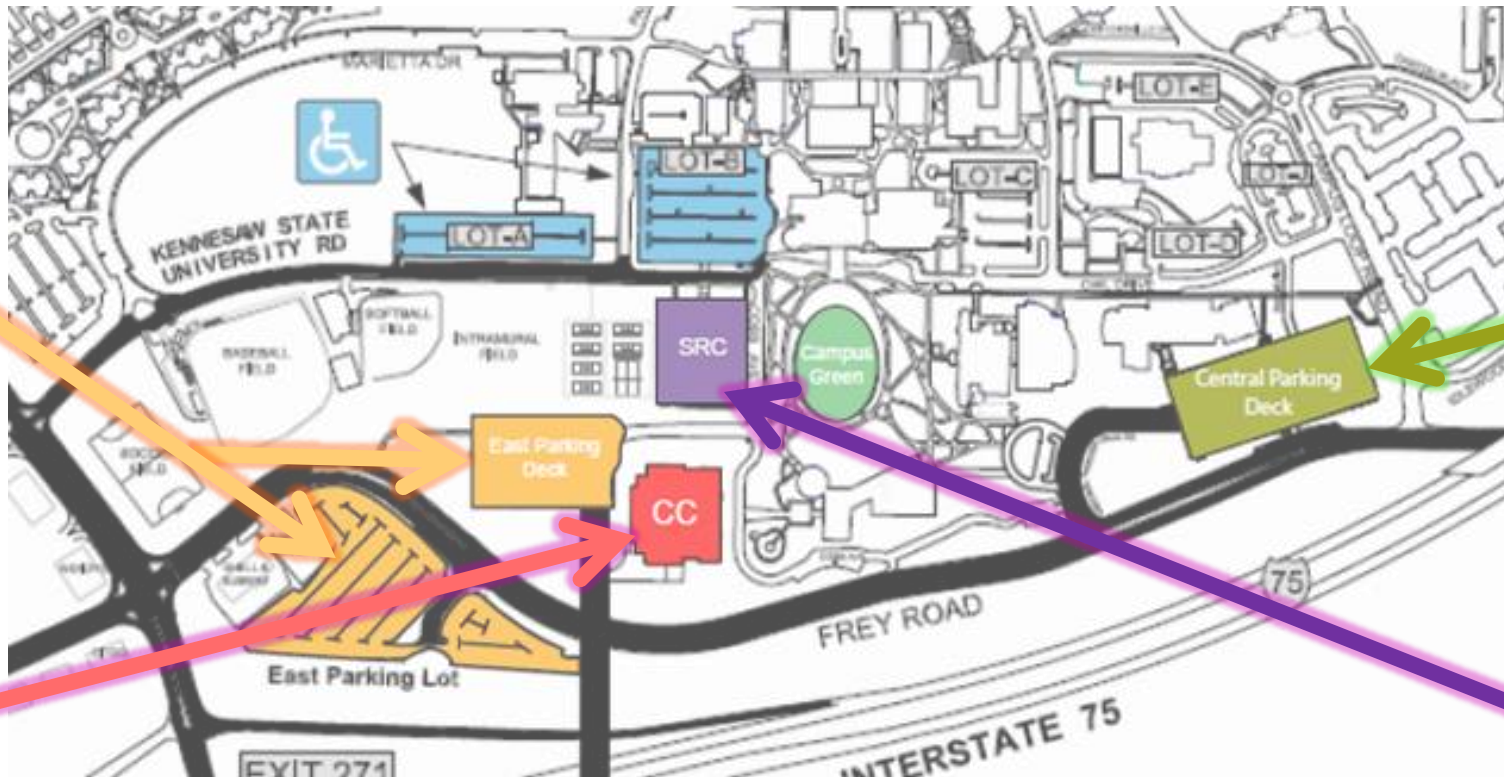
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PARKING FEES: \$10 per car – debit/credit only

GUESTS

Park in **EAST Deck** or **EAST Lot** across Frey Road

Walk to **Convocation Center**



STUDENTS

Park in **CENTRAL Deck**

Walk to **REC Center**

Student Notes

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- Carpool! Don't forget a credit/debit card for the parking fee.
- Anticipate drive time with traffic and walking time once on campus.
- ENTER the Siegal Rec Center BEFORE 1:00 p.m.
- DON'T FORGET your gown, cap, tassel, cords, and stoles, if applicable



Student Notes


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- Do not bring bookbags, backpacks, fanny packs, purses, or totes
 - Graduates may not carry anything in their hands
 - Use pockets or obtain a discreet and tiny shoulder/cross-body bag
- Do not bring food or drink
- Do not bring toys or items to “prank” teachers or administration



Student Attire

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- Alterations and decorations to the mortarboard/cap and gown are not permitted
- Stoles, cords, and other insignia must be authorized by the school
- Any clothing that is visible below the gown should be DARK in color: navy, black, or very, very dark grey
- Do not wear casual shoes like flip flops or everyday sneakers 
- Do be sensible about your footwear. There is a good bit of standing and walking that you will be required to do.

Student Attire

Joel is wearing...

- Dark dress pants
- Dark dress shoes
- Dark socks
- White dress shirt
- Dark tie (no bow ties)



Student Attire

Maddie is wearing...

- Dark dress/skirt
- Dark shoes
- No large necklaces



Guest Notes

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- Any object that obscures the view of others or impacts the safety of others is not allowed in the KSU Convocation Center.
- Guests are welcome to use cameras for still and video photography from their seats.
- Guests may not stand in aisles or along the railings.
- Tripods, monopods, selfie sticks, or other camera stabilizing devices are not permitted.



Guest Notes

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In accordance with KSU requirements, all persons entering the Convocation Center will pass through metal detection devices. Also, guests entering the facility with a bag **MUST** use either a **CLEAR TOTE, PLASTIC ZIP TOP BAG, or SMALL CLUTCH** to be approved for entry into the venue. Please do not bring any packages that cannot be opened or inspected. Also, please allow extra time for entry as there may be delays.



Prohibited Items

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- Aerosol/pressurized cans
- Alcohol or illegal substances, drugs, and chemicals of any kind
- Animals (except service animals)
- Artificial noisemakers (whistles, air horns, etc.)
- Balloons or inflatables of any kind
- Costumes which fully cover the face and/or head
- Open flame or fireworks of any kind (including smoke bombs and flares)
- Flags, flyers, handouts, announcements, etc.
- Glassware of any kind
- Glitter
- Laser pointers
- Musical instruments of any kind
- Signs, banners, posters, poles or staffs
- Skateboards, roller blades, roller skates, roller shoes, etc.
- Strollers
- Tobacco of any kind including, but not limited to, cigarettes, cigars, pipes, all forms of smokeless tobacco, clove cigarettes, and electronic nicotine delivery systems (e.G., E-cigarettes, e-cigars, e-pipes, and other forms of what is commonly referred to as “vaping”)
- Weapons of any kind including, but not limited to, knives (including pocketknives), pepper spray, stun guns, slingshots, concealed weapons, and firearms

Quick Questions?

Ms. Skeeane — room 309

Ms. MacDonald — room 331

Mr. Short — 1st floor administrator

