

# Rutgers University-Newark Commencement

Wednesday, May 17, 2017

9:00am

## Prudential Center

25 Lafayette Street, Newark, New Jersey



### Graduate Information

Please arrive no later than 8:00am with your cap, gown and pink reader card. Students will enter the **Lafayette Tower** (just off the corner of Lafayette and Mulberry Streets). Be sure to remember to bring your reader card with you, as it will serve as your ticket to the ceremony. Please have your PINK reader card out, as it will be the key to the color-coded signage system. Event marshals and color-coded signage will direct you to the arena floor.

### Commencement Regalia

If you did not purchase your regalia on line, you will need to purchase regalia at the Barnes and Noble Book Store, 42 Halsey Street, Newark, New Jersey. Commencement Regalia can be picked up or purchased on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor.

#### **Barnes & Noble – Hours of operation**

Monday – Thursday	9am – 9pm
Friday	9am – 8pm
Saturday	9am – 7pm
Sunday	10am – 2pm

The cost for Commencement Regalia is \$87.98 and includes gown, cap, hood and tassel. Please make sure that you purchase regalia for a Bachelor of Science Degree.

**All graduates must wear their regalia to participate in the May 2017 Commencement Ceremony!**

### **Name Card**

List of dates and times to pick up name cards will be coming soon!

### **Salute Week**

List of Graduation Events will be coming soon!

### **Guest Entrance**

All Guests can enter the Lafayette Tower (just off the corner of Lafayette and Mulberry Streets) or the PNC Bank Tower (located at the Northeast corner of the building at Mulberry Street and Edison Place).

### **Guest Tickets**

**NO Tickets** are required for your guests. The doors will open at 8:30am and seating is on a first come, first serve basis. Guests should be in their seats before 9:00am.

### **Students and Guests with Disabilities**

- Every Effort has been made to accommodate our students and guests with physical disabilities. Students and guests requiring ambulatory assistance are strongly encouraged to provide their own wheelchairs. It is recommended that students/guests with disabilities and the elderly be dropped off and picked up at the arena entrance at the corner of Mulberry and Lafayette Streets. Ramps are provided for entrance through Lafayette Tower.

Graduation candidates who need special assistance should contact Ms. Kate Torres ([kate.torres@rutgers.edu](mailto:kate.torres@rutgers.edu)) in advance to arrange accommodations.

### **Parking and Directions to Prudential Center**

Free parking will be available on-campus at Rutgers University-Newark Parking Decks.

**University Deck 1** – located at 200 University Avenue

**Washington Deck II** – located at 166 Washington Street

**Washington Deck III** – located at 180 Washington Street (next to Deck II)

Free shuttles will run continuously from 7:00am until 2:00pm. Pick up at Decks I and II going to Prudential Center; pickup at Prudential Center at the corner of Lafayette and Broad Streets

### Commencement Tips

- No student is allowed to bring a bag, purse, backpack, etc. on the arena floor.
- Traffic heading into Newark may be heavy, so please plan accordingly and allow plenty of time to arrive at the venue no later than 8:00am.
- **Don't forget reader card!** This is your access to the ceremony.
- **Do not** leave the arena until the ceremony is completed.
- No Balloons will be allowed into Prudential Center.
- No outside food, beverages, coolers, bottles or cans may be brought into Prudential Center.
- The use of alcoholic beverages at Prudential Center is strictly forbidden. This policy will be strongly enforced.

