MIT Commencement 2018 — Friday, June 8
Instructions for graduates

Arrival times
You must arrive at the time assigned to your degree (see pages 3 and 4): late arrivals will be excluded from the assembly area, the procession, and the Commencement Exercises. Enter the Johnson Athletics Center (W34) near the Steinbrenner outdoor track. (See map on page 6.) Metal detectors will be in place at the graduates’ entrance to the Johnson Athletics Center. Please remember the need to go through security when you are timing your trip to Johnson. It is crucial to arrive and check in at your station on time.

What to bring
On the morning of Commencement, you need only your MIT ID and your regalia. You may carry your phone in your pocket. SMALL cross-body personal bags worn under regalia are also ok.

For security reasons, the following items are not permitted in Johnson or in Killian Court: glass containers of any type, backpacks, selfie sticks, umbrellas, balloons, and drones of any size. Please remember to report to your station on time—divesting of items not permitted in the procession will delay your check-in.

Note: there is no food served in Johnson, but you may bring snacks and beverages (in non-glass containers) for consumption prior to assembly. A bottle of water will be under your chair in Killian Court.

Check-in
- Report to your designated station (lists follow on pages 3 and 4)
- Check with the station aide to verify that your name appears on the posted station roster.
- If you do not appear on the station list or do not know your station number, check the listing at the Registrar’s Table or with one of the marshals.
- Doctoral degree recipients who did not pick up their hoods at the Hooding Ceremony should report immediately to the Registrar’s Table at the front of the room.

Line-up
- When you hear the announcement, “Graduates, line up at your stations”, report back to your station and remain there.
- Line up alphabetically at your station, according to the station list.
- Station aides will verify that you are in the appropriate order at the final attendance check.
- Graduates not in place by the attendance check will not be allowed to participate in the procession.

Procession
- The procession will be comprised of 4 parallel columns.
- Do not leave your station until you are instructed by a station aide or marshal.
- Follow the head in front of you and stay in a straight line.
- While en route, please stay to the center of the aisles and do not reach over the rope line to shake hands or greet spectators. The security of this line is critical to ensuring that all graduates receive their correct diplomas on stage.
- There will be 2 checkpoints along the procession route. When you reach the checkpoints, state your last name clearly.

Diploma distribution
- When you arrive on stage, you will see a red line. Do not move beyond the red line until your name is read.
- If someone else’s name is read, please tell the reader your name and then move forward after you hear your name.
- Proceed across the stage, shake hands with President Reif or Provost Schmidt, and receive your diploma. If you have difficulty shaking hands, please advise Dean Elizabeth Young, ecy@mit.edu by Tuesday, June 5.
- Please stay in your seat throughout the ceremony except for diploma distribution or to use the restroom facilities for graduates, which are on either side of Killian Court.
Special notes

- Only graduates and designated faculty and staff will be allowed into the robing and assembly area in the Johnson Athletics Center. PARENTS AND SIGNIFICANT OTHERS MAY NOT ENTER THE JOHNSON ATHLETICS CENTER.
- TURN CELL PHONES OFF UNTIL YOU ARE SEATED! DO NOT TALK ON PHONES WHILE MARCHING INTO KILLIAN; KEEP IN VIBRATE MODE.
- Please direct your attention to the stage—and not to your phone—during the ceremony.
- Bachelor of Science degree recipients wear the tassel on the right side, and upon receipt of the diploma, move the tassel to the left side.
- Advanced degree recipients wear the tassel on the left side.
- Out of respect for all graduates and their guests, please return to your assigned seating area after you have received your diploma and remain seated until the end of the ceremony.
- Do not bring your children to the stage. They will be stopped and not allowed to cross with you. There is no exception to NO CHILDREN ON STAGE.
- The Exercises will end at approximately 2 pm. After the stage principals and marshals of the graduates recess from the court, graduates may join their guests in the audience and escort them to their School, department, or program reception(s).
- We recommend discussing plans and expectations for the day with your families ahead of time. You may want to review the campus map with them, pointing out the location of the Commencement Exercises and the reception(s) you will attend afterward. Also helpful is a look at the arrival information for guests, to ensure that they know what security measures and restrictions to expect.

Assembly stations

Upon arrival at the Johnson Athletics Center, please report to your assembly station as listed. If you have any questions about your station, please contact Alpha Sanneh, asanneh@mit.edu or 617-258-6414. If you will require special assistance for the procession or crossing the stage, contact Dean Elizabeth Young (ecy@mit.edu or 617-253-6786).

How to find your station number

Graduates receiving one degree from one course will find the station numbers self-explanatory. Here are the exceptions:

- **SB with a double major:** report to the station for the course in which you are registered for your primary major.
- **More than one degree:** report to the station for the higher degree, EXCEPT in the case of simultaneous Bachelor’s and Master’s degrees. If you are receiving both SB and SM or MEng, report to the station of the primary undergraduate course.
- **Two advanced degrees of the same level:** report to the station for the course in which you are registered for your primary degree.
- **Two advanced degrees of different levels (ex: PhD/SM or Eng/SM):** report to the station of the higher degree.
Undergraduate assembly stations

School of Architecture and Planning ................................................................. ARRIVAL TIME – 8:00 am
- SB Courses 4, 4-B, 11 → Station 1

School of Engineering .......................................................................................... ARRIVAL TIME – 8:00 am
- SB Courses 1-C, 1-E, 1-A, 1-ENG, 2 (A-K) → Station 1
- SB Courses 2 (L-Z), Mechanical & Ocean Eng., 2-A (A-C) → Station 2
- SB Course 2-A (D-P) → Station 3
- SB Courses 2-A (Q-Z), 3, 3-A, 3-C → Station 4
- SB Courses 6-1, 6-2 (A-G) → Station 5
- SB Course 6-2 (H-R) → Station 6
- SB Courses 6-2 (S-Z), 6-3 (A-BA) → Station 7
- SB Course 6-3 (BB-G) → Station 8
- SB Course 6-3 (H-MA) → Station 9
- SB Course 6-3 (MB-SL) → Station 10
- SB Course 6-3 (SM-Z) → Station 11
- SB Courses 6-7, 6-14, 10 → Station 12
- SB Courses 10-B, 10-C, 10-ENG, 16, 16-1, 16-2, 16-ENG → Station 13
- SB Courses 20, 22 → Station 14

School of Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences .............................................. ARRIVAL TIME – 8:15 am

Sloan School of Management .............................................................................. ARRIVAL TIME – 8:00 am
- SB Courses 15, 15-1, 15-2, 15-3 → Station 15

School of Science .................................................................................................. ARRIVAL TIME – 8:15 am
- SB Courses 5, 5-7, 7 & 7-A → Station 16
- SB Course 8 → Station 17
- SB Courses 9, 12, 18 (A-L) → Station 18
- SB Courses 18 (M-Z), 18-C → Station 19

Advanced degree assembly stations

School of Architecture and Planning ................................................................. ARRIVAL TIME – 8:00 am
- MArch, SM ArchStudies., SM Art, Culture and Tech, SM Building Tech, SM Visual Studies → Station 20
- MCP (A-R) → Station 21
- MCP (S-Z), SM Course 11, SM MAS, SM Media Tech. → Station 22
- SM Real Estate Dev, SM Without Spec., PhD → Station 23
School of Engineering .......................................................... ARRIVAL TIME – 8:00 am

- MEng Course 1-P, SM Course 1, MEng Course 2-P, SM Course 2 (A-H) → Station 24
- SM Course 2 (I-Z), SM NA & ME, SM Ocean Eng, SM Course 3, MEng Course 6-P (A-C) → Station 25
- MEng Course 6-P (D-T) → Station 26
- MEng Course 6-P (U-Z), MEng Course 6-7P, SM Course 6, SM Course 10 → Station 27
- SM Course 10-A, SM Course 16 (A-L) → Station 28
- SM Course 16 (M-Z), MEng 20-P, SM Course 20, SM Course 22, MEng Logistics (SCM), MASc-SCM (A-L) → Station 29
- MASc-SCM (M-Z), MEng Supply Chain (SCM), SM CDO, SM CSB, SM Eng & Mgt (A-J) → Station 30
- SM Eng & Mgt (K-Z), SM Engineering Systems (ESD), SM Health Sci & Tech → Station 31
- SM Tech & Pol, SM Transportation, SM Without Spec, Civil E, MechEng, Naval E, EE, ECS, EAA, NuclE, EnvE, ScD, PhD (A-BA) → Station 32
- PhD (BB-G) → Station 33
- PhD (H-LE) → Station 34
- PhD (LF-P) → Station 35
- PhD (Q-V) → Station 36
- PhD (W-Z) → Station 37

School of Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences ........................................... ARRIVAL TIME – 8:15 am

- SM Courses 14, 17, 21W (Science Writing), 24, CMS, STS, Without Spec, PhD → Station 38

Sloan School of Management ........................................................................ ARRIVAL TIME – 8:00 am

- MBA Course 15-A Sloan Fellows (A-N) → Station 39
- MBA Course 15-A Sloan Fellows (O-Z), SM Course 15-A Sloan Fellows, MBA Course 15-E Executive (A-BH) → Station 40
- MBA Course 15-E Executive (BI-K) → Station 41
- MBA Course 15-E Executive (L-Z) → Station 42
- MBA Course 15 (A-C) → Station 43
- MBA Course 15 (D-G) → Station 44
- MBA Course 15 (H-K) → Station 45
- MBA Course 15 (L-M) → Station 46
- MBA Course 15 (N-SE) → Station 47
- MBA Course 15 (SF-WI) → Station 48
- MBA Course 15 (WJ-Z), MBAn 15, SM Course 15, MFinance (A-E) → Station 49
- MFinance (F-W) → Station 50
- PhD → Station 52

School of Science......................................................................................... ARRIVAL TIME – 8:15 am

- SM Courses 5, 7, 8, 9, 12, 18, SM Without Spec, ScD, PhD (A-J) → Station 53
- PhD (K-S) → Station 54
- PhD (T-Z) → Station 55

Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution/MIT........................................... ARRIVAL TIME – 8:15 am

- SM Courses 1-W, 2-W, 6-W → Station 55
- SM Courses 7-W, 12-W, Engineer, ScD, PhD → Station 56
**Tickets and regalia**

Each graduate to be awarded a degree at the Commencement Exercises is allotted up to **four (4)** guest tickets, which will be barcoded and assigned to the candidate. No additional tickets are available. An admission ticket is required for each guest in the seating area, including children 3 years of age or older. Please note: only graduates who are participating in the Commencement Ceremony will be allotted tickets.

Ticket distribution takes place in the Bush Room (Room 10-105). Tickets to the Exercises will be issued to degree candidates upon confirmation of regalia rental or purchase and with an MIT ID. If you have ordered regalia through the Coop, your information has been captured and it will be linked to your ID in the ticket system.

If you have *not* ordered regalia through the Coop because you are an ROTC candidate who will wear your dress uniform, or because you own regalia, have purchased from an alternate vendor, or have borrowed regalia from a friend, please [indicate your regalia plan online](#) and be prepared to show a **picture of yourself in the regalia or uniform** when you arrive to pick up your tickets. A photo on your phone will be fine. Thank you.

**Students must pick up their own tickets, in person, with their own IDs.** If you are traveling, please do not worry about your tickets: they will not be given away.

Students and guests are advised that no tickets to Commencement at MIT may be bought or sold under any circumstances.

**Ticket pick-up hours**

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**Picking up tickets on Commencement Day**

On Friday, June 8 only, family members with a government-issued photo ID may pick up tickets in the Commencement Information Booth in Lobby 7 starting at 6:30 am.

**ROTC candidates and regalia**

Air Force, Marine, and Navy ROTC candidates may wear the prescribed dress uniform instead of academic regalia, provided they have spoken with their respective commanders and have been given the correct rank to wear with their service dress. Army candidates, please note that because the commissioning ceremony takes place after Commencement, regulations require academic regalia for the Exercises.