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Hello IAFS Graduates (SP26, SU26, FA25)!

We can't wait to celebrate your achievements at the **IAFS Graduation Ceremony on Saturday, May 2th, 2026 at 1:00pm MDT** in the [Limelight Hotel Flatiron Ballroom!](#) We are honored to welcome [Gaea Logan](#) (LPC-S, CGP) as this year's IAFS commencement speaker. After the ceremony, join us for an **optional reception** with cookies and beverages from **2:00-3:00pm** in the Limelight Hotel Courtyard.

Everyone receiving this email **will have their name printed** in the IAFS Graduation Ceremony program, whether or not you attend. Our list of graduates is based on the Registrar's Applied for Graduation reports for Spring 2026, Summer 2026, and Fall 2025 graduates.

A few important updates/announcements:

- **If you have not yet [RSVPed](#)**, please do so that we have an accurate estimate of how many graduates and guests will be attending.
- The [IAFS Graduation page](#) is updated with a **layout of the Limelight Hotel**, parking information, and other details.
- [Grad Images](#) will be taking photos of graduates before and during the ceremony! Receive a coupon for 20% off your entire order when you [pre-register](#).
- April 20-24 - Check out these [Pre-Commencement Events](#) and visit the IAFS table at the [Grad Fair](#) on April 20 from 11am-2pm in the UMC Ballroom!

**Graduates:**

- **Wear your cap and gown** (regalia), available for purchase at the CU Bookstore.

- **Arrive at Limelight between 12:00–12:50pm.** Enter at the **Conference Entrance** located on 13<sup>th</sup> St., just north of the main hotel entrance (see attached). You will check-in and hang out in the **Meadows Ballroom**. You will not sit with your guests in the main ballroom, instead you will process into the ballroom at 1pm.
- **Check in with IAFS staff** in the Meadows Ballroom to fill out your name card. Please write your name clearly (including phonetic spelling if needed) and **keep the card with you!** You will keep this with you until it is time to walk across the stage.
- By **12:55pm**, line up for graduate seating entry. You will not line up alphabetically, so feel free to stand with friends!
- At **1:00pm**, you will be led into the ballroom and seated at the front.
- During the ceremony, just before you walk across the stage, **hand your name card to an IAFS staff person near the stage.**

#### **Guests:**

- No tickets required! Guests may enter the Flatiron Ballroom doors **beginning at 12:00pm.**
- Guests who require **accommodations** may enter before **12:00pm.** *Please let us know in advance if any of your guests need special arrangements.*
- **To ensure a smooth and enjoyable ceremony for everyone, we kindly ask that guests remain seated throughout the event.** A professional photographer will capture each graduate as they cross the stage and exit. Family and friends are more than welcome to recreate the moment after the ceremony or take additional photos with their graduate before or after the event

If you have any questions, feel free to contact us at [iafs@colorado.edu](mailto:iafs@colorado.edu). We're so proud of you and can't wait to celebrate this milestone together.

#### **Congratulations, Class of 2026!**

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