The Department of Psychology and Neuroscience
Spring 2020 Graduation Ceremony

You and your family are cordially invited to a ceremony honoring the May and August 2020 graduates of the Department of Psychology & Neuroscience. This department recognition ceremony will be held in the CU Events Center on Thursday, May 7 at 6:00pm.

(Information on the CU university-wide ceremony can be found at https://www.colorado.edu/commencement/spring-ceremony)

Ceremony:
Tickets are NOT required for this event.

Doors open at 5:00pm for guests. The processional will begin promptly at 6:00pm. The ceremony lasts approximately 2 hours and it is expected that graduates remain for the duration and that family stay seated when possible.

The entire ceremony will be recorded and livestreamed at Buffs.me/buffslive.

Parking:
There will be parking attendants who will direct you to the parking lots at the Events Center. Carpooling is recommended as it will alleviate some of the delay in both entering and exiting the parking lot.

Accommodations:
If you or any of your guests requires special accommodations (wheelchairs, hearing-impaired translator, other reserved seating needs, etc.) please let me know by Friday, May 1st. The University of Colorado Boulder is committed to providing equal access to individuals with disabilities. If you are planning to attend this event and require accommodations, please contact Sadie Halnier (sadie.halnier@colorado.edu phone: 303-492-8708) no later than 7 days before the event. We will make all reasonable efforts to fulfill requests submitted after the deadline.

Clear Bag Policy:
The Clear Bag Policy will be enforced at the Events Center as well as in Folsom Field for the university ceremony. Here is the link for the Clear Bag Policy http://www.colorado.edu/commencement/spring-ceremony/folsom-field-information. PLEASE SHARE THIS INFORMATION WITH YOUR GUESTS as the security staff at the Event Center will be checking each and every person who enters. Anyone who does not adhere to the Clear Bag Policy will have to return to their vehicle to drop off items that violate the policy.

Photography:
Professional photographs will be taken by GradImages before and after you walk across the stage. There is a discount coupon for photographs at the end of this email.

We will allow guests to come up to the stage BRIEFLY for pictures as you walk across the stage.
**Graduates:**
Graduates should arrive between 5:15pm and 5:30pm. Please do not arrive any later than 5:30pm. Please enter the CU Events Center through the lower north entrance (next to the loading dock, across from parking lot 440).

Staff will assist during this time to help graduates line up. Please note: there are stairs leading up to the stage. If you are unable to climb stairs, please contact me so that an alternate stage entrance can be arranged.

Because this is an academic ceremony, academic regalia is required and can be purchased in the University Book Store in the weeks leading up to the event. The tassel is worn on the RIGHT side of your cap prior to walking across the stage. You will be instructed to move the tassel to the left during the ceremony.

**Honors Graduates:**
For those of you who completed honors theses, you will be recognized as part of the ceremony. You will be receiving an email from me separately with additional instructions.

If you have any questions, please contact me at: sadie.halnier@colorado.edu or (303) 492-8708
What to expect when you arrive at the Events Center:

1. Please arrive to the lower north entrance between 5:15 and 5:30pm. You will have to go through security, so please try to arrive early!

2. Students will line up in the 1st floor practice gym.

3. There is no area to keep purses or valuables, so please leave those with your guests prior to coming down to the line-up area. Please see the Clear Bag Policy above.

4. Students must fill out a name card-located on the tales in the 1st floor gym. This card is what you will hand to the MC, Dr. Tina Pittman-Wagers, just before you walk across the stage. Be careful to write legibly. If you have a difficult name to pronounce, please phonetically spell your name exactly how it sounds to assist Dr. Pittman-Wagers. Here is an example of how to phonetically spell your name:

   Leslie Costanza: cō stan zō
   Raul Gonzalez: rah-OOL gon-SAH-les
   Ngoc Nguyen: nahk nuhWEN or sounds like “knock” “WIN”

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We hope to see you there!