



# Northeastern University

## Commencement Office

February 2012

**2012**  
**UNIVERSITY COMMENCEMENT**  
**Friday, May 4**  
**Undergraduate Ceremony:**  
10:30 am, TD Garden, Boston.  
Doors open at 8:00 am  
**Graduate Ceremony:**  
3:30 pm, Matthews Arena,  
Northeastern University.  
Doors open at 2:00 pm  
Complete details are available on the  
Commencement [website](#).

### Have questions about Commencement?

Check out our Quick Links [CheatSheet](#) for answers.

### GRADUATE PORTRAITS

Don't miss out on the opportunity to have your photo taken in academic regalia! Photographers will be available during cap and gown distribution and during the ceremony. Proof sheets will be sent to you following the ceremony. Packages will be available for purchase!



### WHAT GUESTS SHOULD KNOW

- Printed invitations are not provided, however, graduates may purchase personalized graduation announcements through our partnership with [CB Graduation Announcements](#).
- Due to high traffic patterns and limited parking in the area, we highly recommend that you use [public transportation](#) to the TD Garden.
- [Campus Parking](#) is complimentary for the Graduate Ceremony being held at Matthews Arena. You must show a ceremony ticket to park in the campus lots as specified on our web site.
- Please note pay parking rates apply to the Renaissance Garage. Parking will not be available in the Gainsborough Garage.
- Handicapped accessible parking is available, but limited and offered on a first come first serve basis.
- The graduate procession begins at 9:25 am at the TD Garden and at 3:00 pm at Matthews Arena. Don't miss out – plan your arrival accordingly!
- If you plan to lodge in Boston, it is recommended that you book your hotel early. [Hotel booking information](#) is available on the commencement website.

### JANUARY DEGREES

were conferred on January 27, 2012.

Diplomas will be mailed approximately 2 weeks following. If you have an outstanding financial obligation (including payment plan) and/or Exit Interview obligation, your diploma will be held until it is fulfilled. You may contact the Commencement Office for its release at that time.

### ATTENTION PHD CANDIDATES

We are pleased to announce the introduction of a PhD hooding ceremony to honor the university's PhD recipients. The ceremony will take place on May 3<sup>rd</sup> at 3:00pm in the Cabot Physical Education Center Cage. Details will be forthcoming.

### "GREEN" REGALIA

Northeastern University, in conjunction with Oak Hall Cap and Gown, is proud to introduce a line of eco-friendly regalia as part of our efforts in sustainability!

Collection bins will be available following each ceremony for graduates who wish to recycle their gown at this time.

### STUDENT SPEAKER APPLICATIONS

Applications are now being accepted for the undergraduate ceremony. Don't miss out on the opportunity to be chosen to address your fellow graduates at Commencement.

### APPLY TO GRADUATE TODAY

Complete and submit the Graduation Application (via the [myNEU portal](#)). Failure to complete or late application may impact inclusion of your information in the printed ceremony program; the receipt of your guest tickets, cap/gown and diploma.

### GUEST TICKETS

[Tickets](#) will be distributed in April to eligible candidates:

#### Undergraduate Ceremony

- 4 guest tickets

#### Graduate Ceremony

- 3 guest tickets



*"I have such a large family and they all want to attend. Why are tickets limited?"* Each venue has a limited capacity. To be fair to all graduates, the number of tickets distributed is based accordingly. Should extra tickets become available, an email will be forwarded to your Northeastern account with instructions on how to obtain. Availability and deadline will apply.



### SAVE THE DATE

Northeastern University welcomes the world-renowned **Boston Pops** on Saturday, May 5<sup>th</sup> 2012 at 8:00pm at Matthews Arena.

Stay tuned to the [Northeastern University Alumni Website](#) for announcements about ticket sales and our special guest artist.