



Law Commencement 2022

May 21, 2022, 11:00 am

Lewis & Clark College

Griswold Stadium

Graduating Student Instructions

Arrival: Please arrive, in or with regalia (please wear comfortable, easy to walk in shoes), in time to check-in no later than 9:45 am. You may park in the Upper Griswold, Lower Griswold, Fir Acres, or Law School parking lots. Parking permits will not be required. Follow the signs to Graduating Student Check-In.

Check-In & Formation for the Processional: Please check-in no later than 9:45 am. A check-in table will be set up in the Griswold Stadium assembly area (between Griswold and Pamplin Sports Center). If you are picking up your regalia day-of, it will be available at the check-in table, as will rain ponchos if there's any threat of rain. After check-in, you will line-up in two rows by last name. There will be signs to direct you to your section of the alpha line-up. Once in line, you will be checked in again and have your name pronunciation checked. Once you are in line, do not leave the line other than to use the restroom (located in Pamplin Sports Center). Please note: there will not be any storage/"coat check" so you must carry anything you bring with you (water bottle, phone, umbrella, sunscreen, etc.) with you into the stadium.



The Processional: At 11:00 am, the Student Marshalls – Professor Amy Bushaw and Professor Hadley Van Vactor – will lead you into Griswold Stadium. Once you reach the seating area, the Student Marshalls will count you off into the rows. Please remain standing until the Dean asks you to sit.

The Ceremony and Conferring of Degrees: The ceremony will start with a welcome and land acknowledgement. Following the commencement address, the Dean will “present” the class.

- The Dean will ask all the graduates to stand by program (Masters of Studies in Law, Masters of Law, and Juris Doctor) one at a time.
- Graduates will be asked to come forward to receive their degrees one program at a time. A staff member will move row to row, signaling each row when to stand and get in line to move toward the stage. **Leave your cap on your seat as you will be hooded on stage.**
- One of the Student Marshalls will be posted at the top of the stage ramp. You will wait with them until it is your turn to be called.
- As soon as your name is read, walk to Associate Dean Parry, who will be hooding, and turn around to face the audience. Do not lean forward when you are hooded – Associate Dean Parry will lift the hood up and over your head. The hood will hang down your back. Please do not shake Associate Dean Parry’s hand – he will be turning to get the next hood.
- After you are hooded, walk to Dean Johnson who will hand you your diploma. A photographer will take your picture as Dean Johnson hands you your diploma. Please do not shake Dean Johnson’s hand – she will be turning to receive the next diploma.
- Next, move on to President Wim Wiewel and the other platform party members. If you are comfortable doing so, you can shake each person’s hand. If you are not, please give a brief head nod in thanks for their congratulations.
- Finally, proceed down the steps at the far end of the stage where you will be photographed again with a backdrop. You will then be directed to your seat by a staff member.
- You may be seated when you return to your chair. When the last person returns to their seat, Dean Johnson will ask you to stand and be congratulated.

The Recessional: At the end of the ceremony, Dean Johnson will lead the platform party off the stage. The Student Marshalls will then lead the graduating students back to the Graduate Check-in area. Once you reach that area, you will be free to join your guests and start your celebrations!

Commencement Reception: Immediately following the ceremony, a reception will be hosted at the Law School. Please do not move your vehicle – the law school lot will likely be full. The Children’s Commencement Ceremony will be also be held at the Law School in a classroom (follow the signs) approximately 20 minutes after the conclusion of the commencement ceremony. The reception, which will be primarily held outside, will feature desserts, cheese & crackers, and beverages.