



SUBJECT: UNIVERSITY NOTIFICATION

DATE: May 5, 2020

Dear NDNU Community Members,

As we approach Commencement, we want to share the following to celebrate our students and their accomplishments:

Former President Barack Obama and Michelle Obama Will Give Virtual Commencement Speeches For Class Of 2020 - June 6, 2020 12:00 p.m.

PDT. RSVP at <https://bit.ly/RHGraduation>.

The special will also feature appearances by celebrities like BTS and Lady Gaga, along with former Secretary of Defense Robert Gates, Alphabet CEO Sundar Piachi, former Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice and activist Malala Yousafzai. To learn more about this, [click here](#). To bookmark the Live video, [click here](#).

Facebook Celebrates the Class of 2020 with Week of Graduation Features and Commencement Program - May 11, 2020 - May 15, 2020

On May 15 at 11AM PT/2PM ET, Facebook will broadcast *#Graduation2020: Facebook and Instagram Celebrate the Class of 2020*. The commencement address will be given by Oprah Winfrey. Awkwafina, Jennifer Garner, Lil Nas X, Simone Biles, and more, will share words of wisdom for the class of 2020. The video will be shared on Facebook Watch and available [here](#).

COMMENCEMENT UPDATE

We want to honor the intent to hold an in-person Commencement on the field and also comply with public health orders regarding COVID-19. Your health and safety are our highest priorities. Given recent guidance suggesting that restrictions on large gatherings could last another six to twelve months, we have decided to postpone Commencement for the Class of 2020 to May 2021. Please continue to check our Commencement page [Commencement page](#) for updates.

What are some of the creative ways you are celebrating?

Help us celebrate NDNU's graduating Class of 2020 by using #NDNUGrad and #NDNU2020. Current students, faculty, staff, parents and alumni are all invited to join the fun!

To all celebrating graduates and their loved ones, don't forget to tag us in your posts on your favorite social media channels! Record a special congratulations video for the entire class of 2020 or just for your favorite graduating Argonaut.

SHELTER-IN-PLACE STATUS

We remain in "Shelter-in-Place" status. To learn more about the order, please [click here](#). As the County of San Mateo continues to revise the current "Shelter-in-Place" order please remember to wear face coverings outside the home and in places of business. To stay up to date on "Shelter-in-Place" revisions, [click here](#).

NEW ON CAMPUS ACCESS PROTOCOL

Public Safety needs you to check-in upon your arrival to campus. Please call (or text) 650-504-0656. You can also email Public Safety at security@ndnu.edu. This check-in procedure is required for Public Safety to track all on campus to keep our campus community safe. Remember, we continue to house students and staff. We ask for your utmost collaboration for your safety and the safety of others.

We urge you to please follow [national](#), [world health organization](#), [state](#) and [regional news](#) to stay updated on most recent updates.

FUTURE OF NDNU

Please continuously refer to our [FAQ page](#) for most recent updates on the Future of NDNU .

Sincerely,
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