**KNOW BEFORE YOU GO: Coliseum Commencement Ceremonies**

- Plan ahead and know how you are getting to the Coliseum. Use navigation and traffic apps such as **Waze** or **Google Maps**.
- Parking in Exposition Park is complimentary for USC Commencement Ceremony ticketed guests on Friday, May 10.
- Rideshare services are located in Exposition Park's Green Lot. Enter from S. Figueroa St. (right-turn only).
- Gate 4 and 23 are open for entry.
- Get here early. Review policies, be prepared for metal detector screening and have items clearly displayed in a clear bag.
- Attendees may only enter with a bag that adheres to the **USC Clear Bag Policy**.
- Cameras are permitted. Balloons, beach balls, confetti and noise making devices will not be permitted.
- Arrive at the gates no later than 30 minutes before your ceremony begins.
- There is limited shade at the LA Memorial Coliseum. Parasols will be permitted for personal shade. Sunscreen, hats, and protective sun wear are recommended. Please be aware of weather conditions and plan accordingly.
- The Coliseum is cashless. Only credit/debit cards and mobile pay are accepted.
- **Tickets are required** for this event. Please have your ticket ready to scan in your mobile device.

**ADA INFORMATION**

**ACCESSIBLE SEATING**

The Los Angeles Memorial Coliseum can accommodate patrons in wheelchairs or with restricted mobility. The Coliseum features multiple areas at Street level that do not require ramps or lifts to access. Situated at a midpoint between field level and the uppermost rows of the Coliseum, these areas can be accessed directly through accessible tunnels, which lead into the seating area of the Coliseum. These locations are situated around most of the circumference of the venue.

People with mobility disabilities who require accessible seating because of their disability will be provided tickets for accessible seats. People with disabilities who do not require the specific features of accessible seating but merely have a preference for them are not entitled to accessible seats. Seating in designated sections will be accommodated on a first-come, first-served basis, based on availability. ADA tickets can be obtained at our Guest Services booths located inside Gate 4 at Section 109, or inside Gate 23. For assistance or more information, please contact the Los Angeles Memorial Coliseum at lamcinfo@usc.edu.

For guests that need additional assistance reaching upper level seats in the Coliseum, escalators are located adjacent to Tunnels 11, and 19. An additional service elevator is located at Tunnel 9 for access to the Upper Concourse.

**ACCESSIBLE DROP-OFF AND PICK UP**

Drop-off and pick-up for guests with disabilities should be made Exposition Park Drive after entering from South Figueroa at W. 39th Street. Please be aware drop-off and/or pick-up may be difficult due to heavy traffic and congestion. Due to traffic patterns leaving the park, pick-up in
this area may be delayed until traffic can accommodate for access. Please be patient and follow direction of parking staff.

ACCESSIBLE PARKING

ADA accessible parking is available in Exposition Park's Pink Lot, Blue Structure and Green Lot. Marked ADA spaces may not be reserved in advance are subject to availability based on arrival.

ACCESSIBLE ENTRY

All gates have a designated priority accessible entry lane. Additional assistance will be located at each gate.

CLOSED CAPTIONING

The Los Angeles Memorial Coliseum provides closed captioning services. The service provides text of all public address announcements during the event. You can access the service from your browser on any smart phone or mobile device. Data rates may apply. To access the service from your mobile device go to www.CaptionedText.com and enter Confirmation: 2650 (for English) at the top of the page. If you need assistance during an event, please text to (213) 263-4007. Data rates may apply.

HEARING AND VISUALLY IMPAIRED

Assistive listening devices for fans with hearing or visual impairments are available for checkout at Customer Service located in the Coliseum West Administration Building across from Tunnel 11.

SERVICE ANIMALS

Service animals are welcome inside the Los Angeles Memorial Coliseum. Service animals must remain on a leash or in a harness at all times unless either the handler is unable because of a disability to use a harness, leash, or other tether, or the use of a harness, leash, or other tether would interfere with the service animals safe, effective performance of work or tasks, in which case the service animal must be otherwise under the handler’s control (e.g., voice control, signals, or other effective means). If you intend to bring a service animal to the building, please notify your ticket representative at the time of purchase so that an aisle seat may be reserved for you if available. An animal relief area is provided at Gate 33 in the Olympic Plaza. Guests with service animals are responsible for cleaning up after their animals and for their appropriate behavior toward other guests and Coliseum personnel at all times. A failure to do may result in the animal’s removal from the stadium. The Los Angeles Memorial Coliseum is not responsible for the care or supervision of a service animal.

WHEELCHAIR TRANSPORTS

The Los Angeles Memorial Coliseum is proud to provide assistance inside the stadium for guests with special needs. This service is free and can be requested through Guest Services. Disabled assistance is available upon request at all entry gates. To minimize your wait, we suggest that you make arrangements prior to the event you are attending by calling 213-747-7111 or email
During event hours, please call or text 213 263-4007. So that we may assist multiple guests, please be aware that our staff will not remain with you during the event, and you are not allowed to remain in the wheelchair during the event. In addition, the Coliseum does not rent wheelchairs or crutches.

**ALLOWED ITEMS**

- Personal belongings such as hats, cell phones, wallets, small clutch purses
- A clear 12”x6”x12” bag; or a one-gallon clear storage bag, limit one per person; and a small clutch bag no larger than 6.5”x4.5”.
- Pre-packaged snack food items in a clear bag for personal consumption
- Cameras (sticks, poles and tri-pods are prohibited)
- Strollers and infant care bags (subject to inspection)
- Refillable water containers (must be empty upon entry)
- Sunscreen and medically necessary items
- Seat cushions without pockets or metal hardware

**CAMERAS**

Cameras and long lenses are allowed for Commencement ceremonies. Camera cases, tri-pods and selfie-sticks are not allowed. Please carry your camera in an allowable clear bag or without a case.

For more information on clear bags, please review the [USC Bag Policy](#).

**CONCESSIONS**

Individual waters will be offered complementary at concession stands.

Concessions will be available for purchase.

The USC Bookstore will also have locations inside the venue near Tunnels 4, 9, 19 and 21 for a variety of items.

**DRIVING DIRECTIONS**

When driving to the venue please carpool with 3 or more people and plan your travel ahead of time. Use navigation and traffic apps such as Waze or Google Maps. Please use the following suggested routes:

- From the North via the 110 Freeway: Exit Exposition Blvd. – Turn Left on Flower St. – Turn Left on Figueroa St. – Follow Signs to Coliseum parking.
- From the South via the 110 Freeway: Exit Martin Luther King Blvd. – Follow Signs to Coliseum parking. The Express Lane exits directly to 39th St. and the entrance to Exposition Park.
- From the East via the 10 Freeway: Exit Vermont St. – Turn Left on to Vermont St. – Continue past the USC Campus – Follow Signs to Coliseum parking.
- From the West via the 10 Freeway: Exit Vermont St. – Turn Right on to Vermont St. – Continue past the USC Campus – Follow Signs to Coliseum parking.
ENTRY GATES

Coliseum entrances at Gates 4 and 23 will open at least 30 minutes prior to each ceremony.

All graduating students attending commencement ceremonies are required to reserve tickets for themselves and up to eight named guests. (Children under 2 years of age do not need a ticket to attend.) These tickets are free of charge. All graduates and guests must present a valid ticket in order to enter the ceremony.

All seating is general admission. There are no reserved seats for guests.

A Help desk will be located outside of Gate 28.

Graduates will enter via the Coliseum field tunnel located at 3960 Bill Robertson Lane. This entrance is strictly for graduates. Graduates are required to wear academic regalia in order to participate in the ceremony.

All graduates and guests will enter through metal detector screening. Please have large metal items and cell phones in a clear bag or out of your pockets before entering. Do not remove smaller items such as wallets, keys, coins or belts.

The Coliseum prohibits bags, backpacks and other containers from entering the venue, with the following exceptions:

- One bag that is clear plastic, vinyl or PVC and does not exceed 12” x 6” x 12”, or a one-gallon clear plastic storage bag (Ziploc bag or similar);
- In addition to one of the clear bags noted above, guests may also carry in a small clutch bag or purse approximately the size of a hand, with or without a handle or strap.

Cameras and Parasols (for personal shade) will be allowed.

Balloons, confetti and noise making devices will not be permitted. For a list of all prohibited items click here.

FAN CODE OF CONDUCT

We appreciate your cooperation to ensure a safe and enjoyable environment. Please review our code of conduct. Fans are encouraged to report inappropriate behavior to management personnel. For assistance, call or text 213-263-4007. Message and data rates may apply.

FIRST AID

First aid stations are located inside the venue on the Street Level Concourse adjacent to Gate 16. Please contact the nearest usher or security officer if medical attention is needed.

NO SMOKING

Smoking, smokeless tobacco and smoking implements (including, but not limited to cigarettes, cigars, pipes, lighters, vaporizers and e-cigarettes) are prohibited in all areas of the Coliseum. The use of
smokeless tobacco is prohibited for all events (LAMC 41.50.1). Violators may be subject to eviction and/or citation. Re-entry to the venue is not allowed.

PARKING

Parking in Exposition Park is complimentary for USC Commencement Ceremony ticketed guests on Friday, May 10. Please have your guest ticket or grad pass ready to show the parking attendant when you enter Exposition Park. Overnight parking or tailgating is not permitted.

- Park at the Blue Structure (Enter from S. Figueroa St. and Exposition Park Dr./39th St.)
- Park at the Green, Pink or Yellow Lots (Enter from Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd and South Hoover St.)

Rideshare services can drop-off and pick-up located in Exposition Park's Green Lot (south of BMO Stadium). Access for rideshare services is from S. Figueroa St. (right turn only).

PROHIBITED ITEMS

All persons and their belongings are subject to metal detector screening and bag inspection prior to entering the Coliseum. Guests are encouraged to arrive early to avoid delays. All prohibited items will not be allowed inside.

The following items are NOT ALLOWED:

- Bags, Backpacks or Purses which do not meet Clear Bag policy guidelines. Hard or Soft Coolers, Baskets, Packages or Containers;
- Alcoholic Beverages, Bottles or Cans;
- Illegal Drugs and Weapons including Firearms, Knives, Explosives, Fireworks, Flares, Lighters and Laser Pointers;
- Professional Cameras (lenses longer than 3”) and Camera Equipment, Selfie-Sticks, Tripods and Video or Audio Recording Equipment;
- Banners, Signs, Flags, Sticks, Poles, Inflatables, Frisbees, Balls, and Unsliced Fruits or Vegetables;
- Umbrellas, Balloons, Skateboards and Folding or Beach Chairs;
- Musical instruments or noisemaking devices;
- Pets (Service Animals are allowed);
- USC is a smoke-free environment. Smoking is prohibited in any area of the campus.

Please do not conceal items. Have all items clearly visible inside an approved bag. All bags must meet Clear Bag policy guidelines and are subject to inspection upon entry.

Rideshare: A designated location for rideshare drop-off and pick-up will be available in Exposition Park's Green Lot. Enter from S. Figueroa Street (right-turn only) near BMO Stadium. Enter the Coliseum at Gate 4.
TAILGATING

Tailgating is not allowed in any area of Exposition Park or the USC Campus.

WI-FI

The Los Angeles Memorial Coliseum features complimentary stadium-wide Wi-Fi capability. Connect to #FightOn