

# Commencement Events 2024



[Join the UP community in celebrating our graduates at events around campus.](#)

## **STUDENT SLIDESHOW – Submit Now through Monday, April 15**

### *Virtual*

Help us celebrate graduates by sending in photos or short videos for our student slideshow, to be run during our commencement ceremonies. Email [registrar@uprovidence.edu](mailto:registrar@uprovidence.edu) or scan the QR code to the right to submit photos.



## **GRADUATION FAIR (CAP & GOWN DISTRIBUTION) – Thursday, April 11 • 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.**

### *University Library*

Degree candidates who placed a ship to school regalia order on or before March 3 can pick up their regalia. Likewise, academic honor cords will be available for pickup during this time as well. Other fun prizes and giveaways for seniors will be provided.

## **NURSING AND COUNSELING PINNING CEREMONY – Friday, April 26 • 9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.**

### *McLaughlin Center, Providence Forum*

A pinning ceremony celebrating all RN-BSN students and clinical mental health counseling candidates. All are welcome to help celebrate degree candidates. [Link to Join](#)

## **EAGLE FEATHER CEREMONY – Friday, April 26 • 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.**

### *Scholars Circle*

Our graduating Indigenous students will participate in an Eagle Feather Ceremony honoring their accomplishments. Participants must be approved for descendance requirements. All are welcome to attend the ceremony. Applications to participate are due in the Registrar's Office by April 1.

## **GRADUATION LUNCHEON – Friday, April 26 • 11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.**

### *University Library*

Graduates and their families, UP faculty and staff are encouraged to attend the luncheon sponsored by Academic Student Support Services. No RSVP needed.

## **STUDENT COMMENCEMENT REHEARSAL – Friday, April 26 • 2:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.**

### *McLaughlin Center, Gymnasium*

All degree candidates are encouraged to attend the commencement rehearsal, as it will familiarize them with the commencement ceremony flow. Degree candidates should bring regalia and will be ushered directly from rehearsal to Baccalaureate Mass. Caps will not be worn.

**BACCALAUREATE MASS – Friday, April 26 • 4:00 p.m.**

*McLaughlin Center, Gymnasium*

\*Faculty and students assemble by 3:30 p.m. within McLaughlin Center. Regalia worn for this service (no caps). Direct any questions to [cathleen.gardner@uprovidence.edu](mailto:cathleen.gardner@uprovidence.edu). [Join the Live Stream](#)

**SENIOR DINNER – Friday, April 26 • Immediately following Baccalaureate Mass**

*University Center Conference Rooms*

For graduating seniors and their guests. A celebration to gather and reflect on the graduates past years at UP and prepare for their upcoming commencement celebrations sponsored by the Advancement and Alumni department. RSVP required by Monday, April 1<sup>st</sup>. Priority seating will be provided to those responding with an early RSVP.

**COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY – Saturday, April 27 • 10:00 a.m.**

*McLaughlin Center, Gymnasium*

All participants in the commencement ceremony may begin check-in at 8:15am. Participating faculty, students, and stage party should arrive by 8:30 a.m. to participate in the class photo at 8:45 a.m. Event will be [live-streamed](#) for remote viewing and link will be posted on the Commencement page of the UP website on the day of the ceremony.

**RINGING OF THE BELL – Saturday, April 27 • Immediately following ceremony**

*Argo Field (soccer field East of McLaughlin Center)*

Graduates are encouraged to participate in the traditional ringing of the bell immediately following the ceremony. UP has a tradition: ringing a bell when entering as a freshman and ringing the same bell when graduating. The first is a signal of commitment, to live as a contributing member of the University community. The second is a signal of accomplishment and success. We are uncertain of the provenance of our bell, which was cast in 1779, but our best guess is that it was a riverboat traveling up and down the Missouri River.

**ARGOSTORE – April 24-25 • 3–5 p.m. • April 26 • 11a.m. – 3 p.m. • April 27 • 9 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.**

*McLaughlin Center*

A wide selection of UP items at affordable prices. Stop by the convenient location in the McLaughlin Center or shop online at [shop.uprovidence.edu](http://shop.uprovidence.edu). Orders can be placed in advance and picked up during business hours.

**FACULTY AND STAFF RECOGNITION DINNER – Thurs., May 2 • Social Hour - 4:30 p.m.**

*University Center Conference Rooms*

UP faculty and staff are encouraged to attend the end-of-year celebration dinner. RSVP Required.

**GALERIE TRINITAS – April 24-25 • 3–5 p.m. • April 26 • 11 a.m. – 3 p.m. • April 27 • 12 – 2 p.m.**

*University Center*

Oil paintings, stained glass, watercolors, ceramics, fabric art, mixed media, graphic art, chalices, enameled Stations of the Cross, and silk screenings attributed to [Sister Mary Trinitas Morin, SP](#). A beautiful display for all to enjoy. Dates and times of Galerie openings coming soon.