

## Weekend Information for Families

- ☞ Seniors must be certified by the registrar as having passed all the academic requirements for the A.B. (Bachelor of Arts) degree.
- ☞ All bills must be paid (or arrangements made to do so to the satisfaction of the Business Office).

**Accommodations** — Accommodations are always limited for Commencement Weekend. Please plan ahead. Weekend guests may contact BTI Travel Consultants, 800-472-7447, or go to [www.hamilton.edu/accommodations](http://www.hamilton.edu/accommodations).

**Announcements** — Information regarding special-order announcements is available at [www.balfour.com](http://www.balfour.com). Prices vary. Bookstore, 315-859-4242 or [hambooks@hamilton.edu](mailto:hambooks@hamilton.edu).

**Baccalaureate** — Families are invited to attend this multi-faith celebration, which includes remarks by a noted speaker, students and chaplains reading texts from different spiritual traditions, and a performance by the College Choir. Seniors process in academic regalia.

**Campus Facilities** — Use of campus facilities during Commencement Weekend is restricted to College-sponsored events. For venues for private parties refer to [www.hamilton.edu/attractions](http://www.hamilton.edu/attractions) or [www.hamilton.edu/restaurants](http://www.hamilton.edu/restaurants).

**Caps and Gowns (Academic Regalia)** — Seniors will place orders for environmentally friendly “greenweaver” academic regalia through the Bookstore during Grad-Fair Days, March 2 and 3. Cost is included in the Commencement fee. Phone orders will be accepted after March 2 for students not on campus. Regalia can be picked up at the end of Senior Week. Bookstore, 315-859-4242, [hambooks@hamilton.edu](mailto:hambooks@hamilton.edu) or [www.hamilton.edu/bookstore](http://www.hamilton.edu/bookstore).

**Class Rings** — Balfour will be at the Bookstore to take orders for class rings during Grad-Fair Days on March 2 and 3 and Commencement

Weekend. Prices vary. Bookstore, 315-859-4242, [hambooks@hamilton.edu](mailto:hambooks@hamilton.edu) or [www.balfour.com](http://www.balfour.com).

**Commencement Fee** — A Commencement fee of \$110 is added to the January bills for members of the senior class. This fee covers the cost of each graduate’s cap and gown, the picnic buffet for graduates and their guests on Commencement Day and incidental expenses related to the weekend.

**Commencement Seating** — The Margaret Bundy Scott Field House has a seating capacity of 5,000, or approximately nine guests per graduating senior. Tickets will not be issued. Doors open at 8:30 a.m., and all guests are encouraged to arrive on campus no later than 9:15 a.m. to find parking and seating. Please note that ushers will not allow “early-birds” to save blocks of seats.

**Diploma Frames** — Diploma frames from Framing Success and Churchill Classics are available at the Bookstore, 315-859-4242, [hambooks@hamilton.edu](mailto:hambooks@hamilton.edu) or [www.hamilton.edu/bookstore](http://www.hamilton.edu/bookstore).

**DVD Recordings** — A two-DVD set of Baccalaureate and Commencement will be available for \$25 and should be ordered in advance. Allow 10 weeks for delivery. [www.hamilton.edu/commencement](http://www.hamilton.edu/commencement)

**Emergency** — In case of emergency, contact the Campus Safety Office 24 hours a day, 315-859-4000.

**Lost and Found** — Check with Campus Safety for items lost or found during Commencement Weekend, 315-859-4141.

**Parking** — Cars may be parked in all College parking lots except where designated for special purpose. The Main and Western quadrangles will be closed to all traffic beginning Thursday evening and will reopen to allow for the removal of personal belongings from residence halls on Sunday following Commencement.

The College does not permit public parking behind Bristol Center, Sadove Student Center or Soper Hall of Commons. By law, parking is not permitted on Campus Road.

On Sunday morning, shuttle buses will be available from North Lot and the Kirkland campus lots for the convenience of guests.

**Pets** — Pets are not welcome at the ceremonies. Please do not bring your pet to any Commencement Weekend event.

**Photography** — During the ceremony, Island Photography will take photos of each student receiving the diploma and cane ([www.islandphoto.com](http://www.islandphoto.com) or 800-869-0908).

**Tickets** — Tickets are not required for any weekend ceremonies or meals.

**Web Video Stream** — Those who are unable to attend Commencement are invited to watch a live webcast of the ceremony from any computer with Internet access. Go to [www.hamilton.edu/commencement](http://www.hamilton.edu/commencement).

**Wheelchair and Special Assistance** — To make seating arrangements for guests with wheelchairs or other special needs, please call 315-859-4529.

Hearing-assistive devices will be available on loan in the main entrance of the Field House during the Baccalaureate and Commencement ceremonies. No advance reservation is necessary, but identification will be required. Audiovisual Services, 315-859-4120.

**Yearbooks** — 2015 Hamilton yearbooks will be mailed in the fall to the current address on file for each graduate. Photos from Commencement will be included in the yearbook. To update addresses, go to [www.hamilton.edu/alumni](http://www.hamilton.edu/alumni).

### Building Hours

#### BLOOD FITNESS CENTER

Fri. 9:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m.  
Sat. 10:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m.  
Sun. closed

#### BOOKSTORE, SADOVE STUDENT CENTER

Fri. 9:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m.  
Sat. 9:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m.  
Sun. 8:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

#### BURKE LIBRARY

Fri. 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.  
Sat. 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.  
Sun. 1:00-4:00 p.m.

#### THE LITTLE PUB

Fri. 4:00 p.m.-2:00 a.m.  
Sat. 5:00 p.m.-2:00 a.m.  
Sun. closed

#### SADOVE STUDENT CENTER

Fri. 8:00 a.m.-midnight  
Sat. 8:00 a.m.-midnight  
Sun. 8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

#### WELLIN MUSEUM OF ART

Fri. 11:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.  
Sat. 11:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.  
Sun. 11:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

*Wellin Collects: Recent Acquisitions from the Wellin Museum Collection and Senior Art Thesis 2015*