

# SABA UNIVERSITY 2017 COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY



## DATE & TIME

Saturday, June 3, 2017 - 12:00 noon (Commencement will last approximately 2 - 2 1/2 hours)

## LOCATION

The Vets, One Avenue of the Arts, Providence, RI 02903

[www.thevetsri.com](http://www.thevetsri.com)

Please Note: NO BALLOONS OR STROLLERS ARE ALLOWED IN THE AUDITORIUM.

## INVITATIONS

There is a maximum of five invited guests per graduate. An electronic RSVP will be sent to all graduates requesting attendance and to provide the number of invited guests. Deadline for reply is April 14, 2017.

## REGALIA (CAP & GOWN) ORDER

Graduates are responsible to purchase their own regalia through **University Cap & Gown Inc.**

Place your online order at <http://buildagrad.com/saba>. Orders must be placed by April 29, 2017. For faster service it is strongly recommended to use a US mailing address if possible.

The entire regalia ensemble includes the following items: Gown, tam, tassel, and hood. The cost is \$86, plus \$18 additional shipping and handling fees. Orders will be shipped directly to your home and are yours to keep. Since orders are placed with **University Cap & Gown Inc.**, Saba is unable to confirm or track regalia orders. For order or tracking inquiries contact

[aaron@universitycapandgown.com](mailto:aaron@universitycapandgown.com)

All graduates participating in the commencement ceremony are required to wear the appropriate regalia ensemble: doctoral tam, tassel, gown and hood. Graduates will not be permitted to walk without the proper regalia.

## GRADUATION ANNOUNCEMENTS

Share your achievement with family and friends. Order personalized Announcements through

**University Cap & Gown Inc.** Log on to <http://www.gradgowns.com> and select ANNOUNCEMENTS in the tab menu bar. Select Saba University in the college drop-down menu. Download the printable order form and mail or fax your order directly to **University Cap & Gown Inc.**

## SEATING

Guest seating is unreserved. Doors open at 11:00 a.m. for family and guests.

## BRUNCH

Refreshments will be available for graduates only in The Vets Gallery located upstairs from the lobby entrance beginning at 9:30 a.m.

## REGISTRATION

Graduates should plan to arrive by 10:00 a.m. and register at desk located in the lobby. Name cards for the reader will be distributed at registration.

## DRESS REQUIREMENT

Smart business casual. Comfortable shoes are recommended.

## REHEARSAL

Rehearsal begins at 10:30 a.m. in the auditorium.

## **HONORS RECOGNITION**

Graduates who achieve a level of excellence determined by the Examination Committee will be acknowledged during the Commencement. The names will be published in the Commencement program.

## **PHOTO INFORMATION**

Commencement Photos has been selected to take individual pictures of graduates as they are hooded and a class portrait will be taken following rehearsal at approximately 11:15 a.m. on the stage behind the main curtain. This area is restricted to graduates only.

Information on pre-ordering will be sent to you by surface mail directly from Commencement Photos. If you have not received this information by April 20, 2017, please contact Commencement Photos at 978-851-5924 or email [CustomerService@CommencementPhotos.com](mailto:CustomerService@CommencementPhotos.com). Additional forms will be available at the Information table located next to the Registration table on the day of the ceremony.

## **HOODING**

Hooding of graduates will be done exclusively by officials of Saba University. Parents, spouse or other relatives will not be permitted to hood the graduate.

## **DIRECTIONS**

### **From 95 North:**

Take Mall Exit 22C. Turn right onto Promenade Street (this is one way). Follow Promenade Street to the end (the Providence Place Mall south parking garage will be directly in front of you). Continue around past the stoplight and up the hill on Promenade Street. Continue up the hill again after the 2<sup>nd</sup> light. The entrance to The Vets is located on the right, at the corner of Park Street and the Avenue of the Arts plaza.

### **From 95 South:**

Take Exit 23 STATE OFFICES exit bearing right. Stay in the middle lane of the exit to continue straight through traffic light on to State Street. At the next light, Smith Street (Rt. 44), Turn right. The Rhode Island State Capitol building will now be on your left. At the next light, turn left on to Francis Street. The Vets and the Avenue of the Arts plaza will be on your right at the Renaissance Hotel.

## **PARKING**

Secure paid parking is available at the Providence Place Mall North Entrance, directly behind The Vets at a rate of \$2.00 for the first 5 hours. To exit the lot on foot, take the north elevators or stairs located to the rear of NORDSTROM to level B. This will bring you to street level directly behind the theater. Proceed north up the sidewalk either side to the theater front entrance.

On-street parking is available on Francis and Smith Streets.

## **HANDICAP ACCESS**

Access is through the front lobby doors. Family members can be dropped at the front door to enter the lobby.

## HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS

Rooms have been blocked at the Omni Hotel & Resorts, Providence, RI.

### Omni Hotel & Resorts

One West Exchange Street, Providence, RI

P: (401) 598-8000

<https://www.omnihotels.com/hotels/providence/meetings/saba-mua>

\$179.00 per night – taxes and parking not included

Guaranteed rate until May 2, 2017

Other recommended hotels in close proximity to The Vets are as follows:

### Renaissance Providence

5 Avenue of the Arts

Providence, RI

(401) 919-5000

### Providence Marriott Downtown

1 Orms Street

Providence, RI

(401) 272-2400

## AIRPORTS

- Logan International Airport, Boston, MA
- Worcester Regional Airport, Worcester, MA
- TF Green, Providence, RI
- Bradley International Airport, Windsor Lock, CT

## DINING SUGGESTIONS

The Capital Grille

10 Memorial Blvd #101,

Providence, RI

(401) 521-5600

[TheCapitalGrille.com](http://TheCapitalGrille.com)

Bombay Club

145 Dean Street, Providence, RI

(401) 273-6363

[www.bombayclubri.com](http://www.bombayclubri.com)

Andino's Italian Restaurant

171 Atwells Avenue, Providence, RI

(401) 453-3164

[www.andinositalianrestaurant.com](http://www.andinositalianrestaurant.com)

Apsara Palace

783 Hope Street, Providence, RI

(401) 831-4722

Not Just Snacks

833 Hope Street, Providence, RI

(401) 831-1150

[www.notjustsnacks.com](http://www.notjustsnacks.com)

Providence Oyster Bar

283 Atwells Avenue, Providence, RI

(401) 272-8866

[www.provoysterbar.com](http://www.provoysterbar.com)

Pane e Vino Ristornate

365 Atwells Avenue, Providence, RI

(401) 223-2230

[panevino.net](http://panevino.net)

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