



Parking & Transportation Q&A's 2024 University Commencement Ceremonies (Hayward Campus)

Are parking passes needed to park on campus during Commencement Ceremonies?

Yes. Special commencement parking passes will be required in order to park at the University for ceremonies taking place on Thursday, May 9th Friday, May 10th, Saturday, May 11th and Sunday, May 12th. Graduates can obtain up to three (3) parking passes during Grad Fest. For those that cannot attend Grad Fest, you may pick up your passes at the Parking & Transportation Office starting on March 25th and continuing through May 3rd. If you are not able to stop by during our normal business hours you may request the permit(s) to be mailed to you, check the commencement website for the request form at www.csueastbay.edu/commencement. The Parking & Transportation Office is located in the Student and Faculty Support Building (SF140) and will be open during normal business hours Monday – Friday 8am-5pm. Your CSUEB ID or picture ID must be presented at the time you pick up your parking passes. Please request only the number of parking passes you require. The University's Semester/Daily/Hourly parking passes are NOT valid for the commencement ceremonies. Please keep in mind that having a special commencement parking pass does not guarantee you a parking spot on campus. Parking is limited and will be on a first-come, first-serve basis.

Is the graduate required to display the special commencement parking pass on their vehicle?

Yes, every vehicle parking on campus for Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday ceremonies will require the special commencement parking pass. The University Semester parking passes are NOT valid for the commencement ceremonies. Carpooling with family or other graduates is highly encouraged.

What if I already have a cap and gown (regalia) and I just need parking pass for the ceremony?

You can still pick up your parking passes at Grad Fest, or directly from the Parking & Transportation Services Department located in the Student and Faculty Support Building (SF140) starting on Monday, March 25th and continuing through May 3rd.

When should the graduate arrive for the ceremonies?

It is recommended that graduates arrive at least one hour before the start of your ceremony in order to find parking and make your way over to the Graduate Assembly Area.

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What entrance do I use for Commencement Ceremonies?

On Friday, Saturday and Sunday we will have one way traffic on campus. All vehicles will enter campus via Carlos Bee Blvd and exit via Harder Road. (Please note on Thursday, you may use either road for entrances/exits, but we still recommend entering via Carlos Bee and exiting via Harder if possible.)

Where should graduates park on commencement day?

Graduates park in the same parking lots as guests. See Guest Parking Section below.

Where should guests park?

Guests who have the special commencement Purple, Orange, Blue, Yellow parking pass can park in Lots G and H. Vehicles displaying a DMV-issued Disabled Persons Parking Placard **and** the special commencement parking pass will be directed to Parking Lot K. Vehicles that do not have the special commencement parking pass will not be allowed to park on campus. Please follow the directions of law enforcement personnel who will be directing traffic.

What happens if parking on campus fills up?

In the event that parking on campus reaches capacity in the designated lots for the ceremonies, guests and graduates will be directed to park in the overflow lots near the West side of campus.

Will the campus shuttles be running to/from the BART station?

Yes, the University will provide free shuttle service to and from the **DOWNTOWN HAYWARD BART STATION** starting two hours prior to each ceremony. The shuttles will run approximately every 30 minutes depending on traffic, and will continue to run until approximately one hour after the ceremony concludes. There will be NO Shuttle service from the Castro Valley BART Station, only from the Downtown Hayward BART Station. AC Transit Line 60 will also be running on Thursday, May 9th Friday, May 10th, Saturday, May 11th and Sunday, May 12th from the Downtown Hayward BART Station. AC Transit runs approximately every 30 minutes Thursday Through Sunday.

Will there be UBER/LYFT drop off locations?

Yes, the University will provide UBER and Lyft drop off and pick up locations. All ceremonies will take place at the Amphitheater and the drop off/ pick up location will be in Lot H, in marked spaces.

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