

A note from the President, Dr. Jean Goodnow

Dear Graduate,

You will soon be receiving your degree or certificate from one of the nation's leading community colleges.

I applaud you.

This is no small accomplishment, given the huge sacrifices you have made to complete your career program, or prepare yourself for further education.

You soon will become a Delta College Alumnus.

You will join the ranks of thousands of Delta College Alumni who are the teachers, the health care professionals, the technicians, the business professionals, the scientists who made Delta College their first choice, or who returned to Delta to help them achieve their life-long dream of a better more worthwhile career.

You should be very proud.

On behalf of the Board of Trustees, faculty and staff, I wish you the best of luck, and hope you remain in contact with us.

Sincerely,



THIS IS YOUR COMMENCEMENT

One of the most memorable moments in your life will be receiving your Associate's Degree or Certificate from Delta College. Celebrate this achievement by attending Commencement, which is scheduled for Friday, May 1, 2009, at 7 p.m..

Sometimes students are unaware of the special importance of attending commencement. Relatives and friends take particular pride in seeing you achieve this goal. Plan now to give your family and friends the special pleasure of seeing you graduate from Delta College.

CAPS AND GOWNS

The Delta College Bookstore serves as the distribution agent for commencement apparel and announcements. In accordance with the latest concept in academic apparel, Delta College graduates will wear quality caps and gowns made of a lightweight, soft draping, dark green fabric that graduates retain as a unique souvenir.

Commencement apparel and announcements will be available for purchase in the Bookstore from April 1st – May 1st (Extended hours for May 1st : 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. and 6 p.m. - 6:45 p.m.). The price of the cap, gown, and tassel set is \$34.93 (including sales tax). Announcements are 80¢ each (including sales tax). Students planning to attend the graduation ceremony on May 1 must sign the Commencement Participation Roster in the Bookstore so their name will be called during the ceremony. **If you have received a cap and gown from another source, please be sure to sign the Participation Roster in the Bookstore.**

Delta College diploma frames in several styles are available from Collegiate Frames. These frames can be viewed and ordered through their website at www.collegiateframes.com.

ACADEMIC PROCEDURES

1. Caps are worn with the tops in a horizontal position, not tilted. Tassels are worn on the LEFT SIDE.
2. Men wear caps throughout the program except during the Invocation. When in doubt, follow the example of the Academic Community on the platform.
3. Women do not remove caps during the ceremony.
4. Valuables should be left with relatives or friends.
5. All graduates must wear caps and gowns.

COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY

Commencement is Friday, May 1, 2009. Exercises will start promptly at 7 p.m. in the Pioneer Gymnasium of Delta College. Guests will be admitted to the gymnasium beginning at 6 p.m. They should use the east entrance of the gymnasium. Ask your guests to arrive before 6:45 p.m., as often all seats are filled by that time.

The ceremony will be broadcast live and additional seating will be available in the Lecture Theater.

COMMENCEMENT PROCEDURE

Pick up procession instructions at the same time and place as the cap and gown.

Graduates must meet in the EAST Main Hallway, by the Jwing, between 6 p.m. and 6:15 p.m. for final instructions. You must check in at the tables in the main hallway near K wing to receive the Honor cords (must have **cumulative** 3.5 GPA) and name card that will be used to read your name and degree/certificate when you walk across the stage. Programs will be placed on your seats in the gymnasium. After the Commencement Recessional, graduates may join their family and friends in the Commons/Cafeteria for the reception. Guests will remain in their seats until the academic procession has filed out of the gymnasium. Your guests are also invited to the reception in the Commons (located downstairs).

COMMENCEMENT RECEPTION

The reception (with light refreshments) in the Commons immediately following Commencement is an opportunity for graduates to relax with friends and family. It is also an opportunity for the College Community to express their congratulations to the graduates.

DIPLOMAS AND TRANSCRIPTS

Only students who have submitted an application for graduation at the Records and Registration Office can expect to receive a diploma or certificate. If you have NOT officially applied for graduation, do so immediately. Diplomas for graduates usually arrive two weeks after degree completion, and are mailed to the address listed on the application for graduation. Complimentary graduate copy transcripts will be included with your diploma/certificate. Additional transcripts must be requested from the Records and Registration Office.

EMPLOYMENT SERVICES

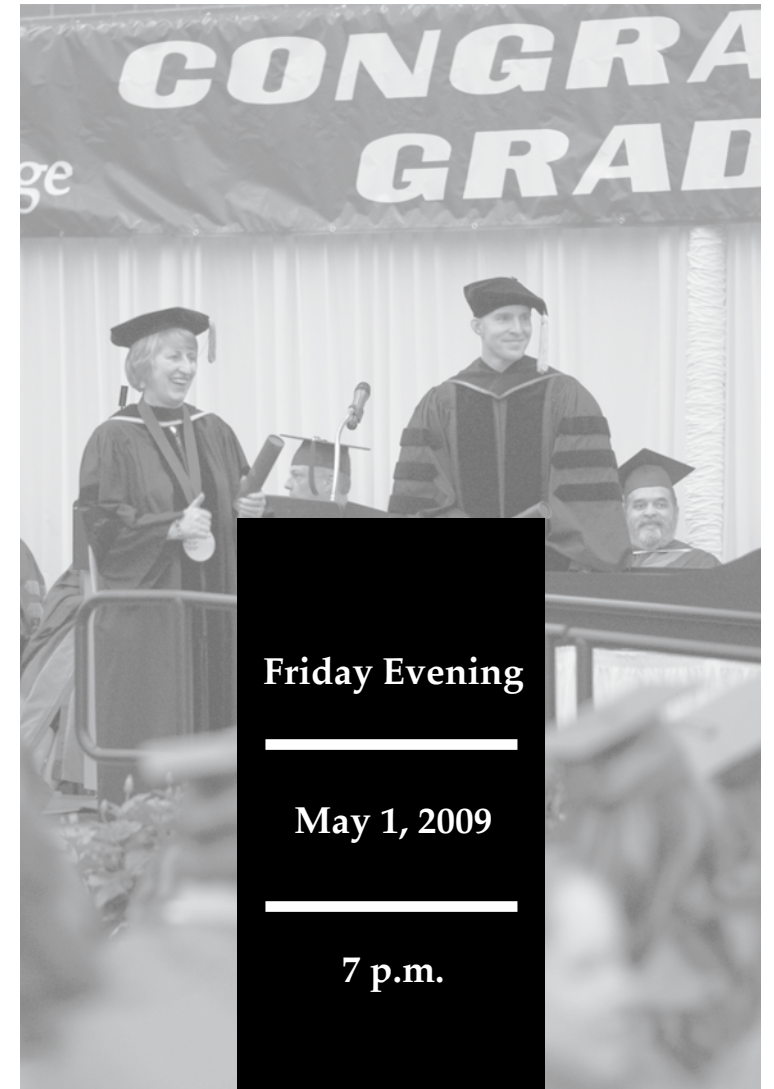
As a graduate of Delta College, you are entitled to use the following employment services at no charge:

- Access to job listings on the web for those registered with Student Employment Services
- Notification of job vacancies matching your qualifications
- Assistance with resume development
- Lifetime use of Student Employment Services

Please note that soon you will be receiving the Delta College Graduate Follow-Up study in the mail. Please take time to complete the survey and return it to us. The information is particularly important in today's ever-changing job market. It guides students in their career choices and helps the College upgrade its class offerings, programs and services.

For more information, contact Employment Services at (989) 686-9074, or from Midland/ Auburn, (989) 485-4000, ext. 9074; from Birch Run, Frankenmuth, Reese, Vassar, (989) 758-3400, ext. 9074.

Delta College Commencement



Friday Evening

May 1, 2009

7 p.m.

Commencement Information

www.delta.edu/commencement

Phone Contacts

Questions about application for graduation

Call Records and Registration at 989-686-9303.

Questions about commencement

Call Student Services at 989-686-9681.

Questions about caps and gowns

Call the Bookstore at 989-686-9030.



ALL PHI THETA KAPPA MEMBERS:

If you are interested in a Phi Theta Kappa stole or tassel for commencement, these can be ordered and purchased from <http://www.ptk.org/recognitions/catalog/09/graduation/>.

If you have any questions contact the Casey Cornelius at 989-686-9540.

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