Approximately 4,700 students will graduate from UC Santa Barbara in seven official ceremonies on June 6, 12 and 13.

As is traditional at UCSB, commencement exercises are organized by college, level of degree, and field of study so that each student can be individually recognized.

Chancellor Henry T. Yang will shake the hand of each student graduating from the College of Creative Studies, the College of Engineering, the College of Letters and Science, and the Graduate Division.

The College of Creative Studies will lead off with its ceremony on Sunday, June 6 at 11 a.m. in Campbell Hall on campus.

On the following weekend, Saturday, June 12 and Sunday, June 13, six separate ceremonies will be held on the Faculty Club Green.

The ceremonies and the guest speakers are as follows:

Sunday, June 6

11 a.m. - College of Creative Studies
Guest Speaker - Alumnus John Clark, President, CEO, and Chairman of the Board of Iolon, Inc., a Silicon Valley high-tech company
Student Speakers - Jay R. Freeman, computer science, Hinsdale, Illinois; Stacy Suzanne Redd, literature, Santa Rosa; Danielle Joy Shulman, biology, San Diego
Saturday, June 12

9 a.m. - Science and Mathematics
Guest Speaker - Walter Kohn, Research Professor of physics at UCSB and a 1998 Nobel Laureate in chemistry
Student Speaker - Lori Hensic, pharmacology and microbiology, Sonoma

1 p.m. - Engineering and Science
Guest Speaker - Bill Nye, author and host of Disney Studio's "The Science Guy"
Student Speaker - Jeffrey J. Fitz-Gerald, Jr., computer engineering, Santa Maria

4 p.m. - Social Sciences I
Guest Speaker - John Cleese, actor, comedian, and entrepreneur
Student Speaker - Eric Movsessian, business economics, Woodland Hills

Sunday, June 13

9 a.m. - Social Sciences II
Guest Speaker - Gerry Spence, trial lawyer and author
Student Speaker - Robin Farmer, law and society, Santa Barbara

1 p.m. - Arts and Humanities
Guest Speaker - Ngugi wa Thiong'o, noted Kenyan writer and professor of English and comparative literature and director of the International Center for Writing and Translation at UC Irvine
Student Speaker - Lauren Paul, art history, Calabasas

4 p.m. - Graduate Division
Guest Speaker - Jon S. Corzine, U.S. Senator – New Jersey
Student Speaker - Annette Killmer, Donald Bren School of Environmental Science and Management, Germany

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The University of California, Santa Barbara is a leading research institution that also provides a comprehensive liberal arts learning experience. Our academic community of faculty, students, and staff is characterized by a culture of interdisciplinary collaboration that is responsive to the needs of our multicultural and global society. All of this takes place within a living and learning environment like no other, as we
draw inspiration from the beauty and resources of our extraordinary location at the edge of the Pacific Ocean.