

UC SANTA BARBARA

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## **Class of 2019**

And away they go — 6,867 of them. That's the combined number of students, both undergraduate and graduate, set to earn degrees from UC Santa Barbara in 2019. Their accomplishments will be celebrated in nine official commencement ceremonies to be held on campus over eight days in June.

Starting June 9 and concluding June 16, the ceremonies are organized by college, level of degree and field of study. Chancellor Henry T. Yang will shake the hand of every student graduating from the College of Creative Studies, the College of Engineering, the College of Letters and Science, the Bren School of Environmental Science & Management and the Graduate Division.

The College of Creative Studies will lead off with its ceremony Sunday, June 9, at 11 a.m. in Campbell Hall. Two ceremonies will be conducted Friday, June 14, starting with the Bren School of Environmental Science & Management at 9 a.m. in the Bren Hall Courtyard, followed at 1 p.m. by Graduate Division on the Commencement Green fronting the campus lagoon.

Commencement Green also is the site of the remaining six ceremonies, all being held the weekend of Saturday, June 15, and Sunday, June 16, with three each day.

All nine ceremonies will be webcast live. Over June 15-16, web coverage will be continuous, beginning at 8:30 a.m., running through and between the 9 a.m., 1 p.m. and 4 p.m. events. The live stream can be accessed via the [commencement website](#).

A listing of ceremonies and guest speakers follows. Complete biographical information on all guest speakers also is available on the [commencement website](#).

### **Sunday, June 9, Campbell Hall**

11 a.m. — College of Creative Studies

Guest Speaker — Kenny Broad '89, professor, University of Miami; explorer, National Geographic

### **Friday, June 14, Bren Hall Courtyard**

9 a.m. — Bren School of Environmental Science & Management

Guest Speaker — Steve McCormick, managing director, Draper Richards Kaplan Foundation

1 p.m. — Graduate Division

Guest Speaker — Nicolasa Sandoval '07 (Ph.D.), education director, Santa Ynez Band of Chumash Indians; member, California State Board of Education

Student Speaker — Liliana Rodriguez, Ph.D., sociology

### **Saturday, June 15, Commencement Green**

9 a.m. — Mathematical, Life & Physical Sciences I

Guest Speaker — Brenton Taylor '03, founder, executive vice president, Inogen, Inc.

Student Speaker — Chinmayee Balachandra, biopsychology

1 p.m. — Mathematical, Life & Physical Sciences II

Guest Speaker — Deb Callahan '81, founder, president, North Star Strategy

Student Speaker — Eduardo Cardenas-Torres, statistical science

4 p.m. — College of Engineering

Guest Speaker — Ali Bauerlein '03, founder, chief financial officer, executive vice president of finance, Inogen, Inc.

Student Speaker — Dana Michelle Yuen, mechanical engineering

## **Sunday, June 16, Commencement Green**

9 a.m. — Social Sciences I

Guest Speaker — Puoy Premssirut '96, attorney, partner, Brown Brown & Premssirut

Student Speaker — Kuvimbanashe Chikukwa, political science

1 p.m. — Social Sciences II

Guest Speaker — Reverend Nancy A. Frausto, associate rector, St. Luke's Episcopal Church

Student Speaker — Zenzile Riddick, sociology, Black studies

4 p.m. — Humanities & Fine Arts

Guest Speaker — Rick Rosen '75, head of television, broadcast and sports, WME Talent Agency

Student Speaker — Jingyan Zhang, comparative literature, linguistics

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## **About UC Santa Barbara**

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.