
EVENTS CALENDAR

Sunday, May 13
Red Sox vs. Oakland Athletics

Sunday, May 20
Hawaiian Bar Night

Monday, May 21
Community Volunteering

Tuesday, May 22
Graduation Ball

Wednesday May 23
Class Day Picnic

Thursday, May 24
Commencement Eve Celebration
for Family & Friends

Friday, May 25
Commencement Mass
Commencement Luncheon
Commencement Reception
following Commencement

OFFICIAL COMMENCEMENT EVENTS

Wednesday, May 23 CLASS DAY PICNIC
Noon, Duschesne Lawn, Newton Campus. Barbecue, yearbook dedication and distribution, volleyball for students, faculty and staff.

Thursday, May 24 COMMENCEMENT EVE CELEBRATION FOR FAMILY & FRIENDS
5-7 p.m., Barat House and Adjacent Tent. Includes a short awards presentation.

Friday, May 25 COMMENCEMENT MASS
10:30 a.m., Chapel of the Most Holy Trinity.

Friday, May 25 COMMENCEMENT LUNCHEON
11:45 a.m., Stuart Snack Bar. All students and families are welcome to this luncheon, hosted by the St. Thomas More Society.

Friday, May 25 COMMENCEMENT
2 p.m., Newton Campus Practice Soccer Field
Speaker: Chief Justice Margaret H. Marshall, Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court.

Friday, May 25 COMMENCEMENT RECEPTION
A reception following the ceremony will be held in the tent adjacent to Barat House. Champagne, soft drinks and light refreshments will be served.

COMMENCEMENT WEEK STUDENT EVENTS

Package for BCLS student (\$75) includes 1 Sox ticket, 1 Bar Night ticket and 1 Ball ticket. Package for BCLS student and a non-BCLS guest (\$110) includes 1 Sox ticket, 2 Bar Night tickets and 2 Ball tickets.

Sunday, May 13 RED SOX VS. OAKLAND ATHLETICS
Fenway Park for a 1:05 p.m. game. Tickets are limited to BC Law students and are available only as part of a package (see below).

Sunday, May 20 HAWAIIAN BAR NIGHT
Dance the night away with your fellow graduates at Atlas Bar and Grill. Food, cocktails and DJ included. Cost \$20.

Monday, May 21 COMMUNITY VOLUNTEERING
Do your part for the community and volunteer at the Food Bank. Contact the LSA for more information (see below).

Tuesday, May 22 GRADUATION BALL
Boston Harbor Hotel, Rowes Wharf, Boston, 7 p.m. to 1 a.m. Black tie optional. Cost \$50. Price includes dinner and cocktails.

CLASS GIFT

The Class of 2001 will be creating a \$100,000 endowed fund for loan forgiveness at our 5th Reunion. Pledge forms will be available at ticket sales and all graduation events.

All events are sponsored by the LSA. Tickets will be sold in packages (at discounted prices). Because of the limited availability, Red Sox tickets will only be sold as part of a package. Guests are welcome to all events (except the Red Sox game).

All information is subject to change. For questions about LSA events, please contact Brennan McDonough (brennanm@hotmail.com) or Amy Rindskopf (rindskopf@yahoo.com)

BOSTON COLLEGE LAW SCHOOL

COMMENCEMENT GUIDE

CLASS OF 2001



LAW SCHOOL COMMENCEMENT 2001

The following has been compiled in an effort to answer the most frequently asked questions concerning Commencement and related events. If you need more information or assistance, please contact Joan Manna, the Law School Commencement Coordinator (617/552-4344) in the Dean's Office.

OFFICIAL GRADUATION DATE

Monday, May 21, 2001: Official University Graduation Date. For purposes of Bar applications or at any time your OFFICIAL date of graduation is required, please note that May 21, 2001 is the date that will appear on your final transcript of courses. That is when the Board of Trustees formally confers degrees to all students graduating from Boston College. Our commencement ceremony, on Friday, May 25, celebrates the presentation of diplomas, awards and honors.

BAR CERTIFICATION

All bar certifications must be submitted to Ken Krzewick in Academic Services for completion. Bar certification forms for Massachusetts should be submitted to him as soon as possible. The completed Massachusetts forms will be available for student pick-up on Friday, May 25. Other states' completed forms are mailed directly to the state bar examining committees.

PRONUNCIATION

Graduates who want to avoid having their names mispronounced at graduation should see Tracey West, Director of Academic Services in Stuart M301B and give her the phonetic pronunciation of their names.

MAILED DIPLOMAS

If you will not attend the Law School Commencement Ceremony on Friday, May 25, but want your diploma mailed to you, please inform Ken Krzewick in Academic Services, Stuart House M301.

INVITATIONS

Commencement invitations will be distributed on April 18 & April 19 from 10am - 4pm, in the East Wing Student Lounge Room 100. You will be given a packet of five invitations. However, please note that there is no limit to the number of guests you may invite to Commencement and related events.

SPEAKER

Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court Chief Justice Margaret H. Marshall is the second woman to serve on the Supreme Judicial Court in its over-300 year history, and the first woman to serve as Chief Justice. She was first appointed as an Associate Justice of the Court in November, 1996 by Governor Paul Cellucci, and named Chief Justice in September, 1999. Prior to her appointment, she was Vice President and General Counsel of Harvard University. She also served as a member of the President's Academic Council.

A native of South Africa, Chief Justice Marshall graduated from Witwaterstrand University in Johannesburg in 1966. That same year she was elected as President of the National Union of South African Students, and served in that capacity until 1968 when she came to the United States to pursue her graduate studies. After receiving her master's degree from Harvard University, and her J.D. from Yale Law School, Chief Justice Marshall was an associate, and later a partner, in the Boston law firm of Csapler & Bok, and was a partner in the Boston law firm of Choate, Hall & Stewart.

Chief Justice Marshall was elected President of the Boston Bar Association in 1991, and served on the Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights Under Law, both in Massachusetts and nationally. In 1994, Chief Justice Marshall was awarded the American Bar Association's Margaret Brent Women Lawyers of Achievement Award. In 1998, she was also the first recipient of the Harvard College Women's Professional Achievement Award.

Chief Justice Marshall has appeared frequently on television as well. She was a regular guest advocate on the national PBS television series "The Advocates" and has participated in the national television series "The Constitution: That Delicate Balance." Chief Justice Marshall has also appeared as a guest on the McNeil-Lehrer Report, Five-on-Five, and other television and radio programs.

Established in 1692, the Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court is the oldest appellate court in continuous existence in the Western Hemisphere. It has jurisdiction over appeals from the departments of the Trial Court. The Massachusetts Constitution also gives the Supreme Judicial Court general superintendence authority over the entire Massachusetts Court System and all attorneys.

GARB

You will be measured and given your Commencement garb on Wednesday, April 18 and Thursday, April 19 between 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the East Wing Student Lounge Room 100. The cost is \$22 payable at pickup. Any students not able to pick up their garb on the above dates may do so between 12 noon and 1 p.m. on Commencement day in front of the Quonset Hut. In case of rain, gowns will be distributed at Conte Forum.

WEARING OF ACADEMIC GARB

After robing, carry your hood draped over your left arm and wear your tassel to the left. After the Dean presents you with the diploma, proceed across the stage and hand the academic hood to one of the Associate Deans, who will formally place the hood

on you. Once you have received your hood, you may transfer your tassel from left to right, signifying conferral of the degree.

GARB RETURN

Signs will be posted instructing you where to return your academic garb. Please be sure that your receipt is attached to the robe or included with it in the plastic garb bag. If you do not return the academic garb after the commencement ceremony, it will be your responsibility to ship it to the address on your receipt. Please be sure that the hood is included in all returns. If you wish to purchase academic regalia, please call Rich Hanlon, University Cap & Gown, 978/686-4566. (Mr. Hanlon will be here on April 26 and 27 for the distribution of rental garb.)

LINEUP OF STUDENTS FOR

PROCESSION

Graduating students must arrive at the Quonset Hut adjacent to the soccer field no later than 1 p.m. on Friday, May 25. After robing, you will line up alphabetically. It is very important that you stay in alphabetical order so that you receive the correct diploma.

PHOTOGRAPHS AND VIDEOTAPING

A professional photographer will take your photo when you receive your diploma and when you are hooded. You will receive information about placing orders from the photographer, Chappell Studio, Inc. In the event you do not receive an order form, you may call the studio directly at 515/472-6892 or e-mail: service@chappell.com or www.chappell.com. Please note: So that all guests may have an unobstructed view, those using video cameras are not permitted to approach the stage during the ceremony.

SPECIAL NEEDS

If you have guest(s) with special needs (i.e., handicap, parking, seating) please contact Joan Manna (617/552-4344), in the Dean's Office, Stuart M305, to make the necessary arrangements.

PARKING

As you approach the Law School campus, you will see signs posted on Centre Street. Parking personnel and Police will direct you to the parking site. Parking in the Chapel lot, Barat Circle and the yellow-lined Stuart Lot is restricted to Handicapped students and guests, Podium Guests, Faculty and Staff.

FACILITIES

Signs posted around the campus will identify restrooms. Water stations will be set up throughout the graduation site. If any special needs arise, there will be staff available to assist you and your guests. They will be wearing identification badges.

PROGRAMS

You will be handed a program when you assemble for the procession. Ushers will pass out programs to your guests.

RAIN SITE INFORMATION

In case of inclement weather, the Commencement ceremony and the following reception will be held in Conte Forum on the Main Campus. The Commencement Mass and the Commencement luncheon will be held on the Newton Campus, regardless of the weather. Announcements concerning changes will be posted on one of the following telephone numbers by 8:30 Friday morning:

BCLS main number: 617/552-8550
Dean's Office: 617/552-4340

In the event of rain, Graduating students are asked to be at Conte Forum no later than 1 p.m. Those who need to pick up academic garb may do so at the East Gate of Conte Forum. Signs will be posted with instructions for entering the Forum and lining up. Parking for Conte Forum is in the adjacent garage on Beacon Street, Chestnut Hill.

MAIN CAMPUS (RAIN SITE)



IMPORTANT TELEPHONE NUMBERS

Boston College Law School
885 Centre St.
Newton, MA 02459
617/552-8550

Commencement Coordinator
617/552-4344

Academic Services
617/552-2527

Boston College Law School Bookstore
617/552-4403

Boston College Police
EMERGENCY: 617/552-4444
Lost & Found: 617/552-4440