Spring 2021 Outdoor Graduate Recognition Frequently Asked Questions

1. General Overview of Event:

Each participating graduate will arrive on campus with their guests (one passenger vehicle per graduate). Signage and Salus Security Staff will guide each vehicle to a preparation area where the graduate will be checked in and placed in a vehicle line-up that will proceed toward the outdoor stage. At the stage, the graduate will exit the vehicle (guests will remain in the vehicle to observe) and enter the stage area, have their name announced, receive their diploma from Dr. Mittelman and have photos taken. The graduate will exit the stage, re-enter their vehicle and then depart the campus. This event will be live-streamed as well and viewable at www.salus.edu/graduaterecognitionevent.

2. How should I enter the campus?

You may enter campus through either entrance (off of Old York Road or off of Rt. 73/Township Line Road) and then follow the signage to proceed to the check-in area.

3. What time should I arrive on campus and how do I check in once I arrive?

Please arrive at the time you selected on the Graduate Recognition Event time selection portal. Prior to arriving on campus, each graduate will receive a 'template' to be printed with their name and program which should be placed on their dashboard upon arrival. This will expedite check in upon arrival.

4. Will there be a location to gown upon arrival on campus?

Yes, there will be a small tent where the graduate can exit their vehicle, dress in their cap/gown and hood and then return to their vehicle before beginning the car procession to the recognition ceremony.

5. Will my family be permitted to leave the vehicle while I am recognized?

No, due to health and safety precautions, all family members will remain in the vehicle the entire time on campus.

6. Will I receive my actual diploma at the event?

Yes, if all program requirements have been met, you will receive your actual diploma at the event.

For those programs that finish in the summer months, you will receive a blank diploma cover during the recognition event.

7. What photographs will be taken?

There will be three photographs taken at the event – Graduate with the University President and two photographs of graduate alone with diploma.

8. How will I receive my photographs?

Proofs of your photographs will be sent to the email address provided on the Graduate Recognition Event time selection portal.

9. How long will I be on campus?

We anticipate the entire process to last approximately 45 minutes.

10. Will there be a location to remove my gown following the recognition?

Yes, there will be a small tent where the graduate can exit their vehicle, remove their cap/gown and hood and then return to their vehicle to depart from campus.

11. Will graduates have access to enter the campus buildings?

Any business with the University that requires access to campus buildings should be planned on days other than May 25th and May 26th.

12. Will there be refreshments?

No, refreshments will not be provided at this event.

13. Will there be any speakers at this event?

No, all ceremonial speeches will take place during the <u>virtual ceremony</u> on May 27th. However, President Mittelman will address graduates at the start of each recognition event on May 25th and May 26th, which will be live-streamed at salus.edu/graduaterecognitionevent.

14. Will safety strategies be enforced?

Graduates will be required to wear a facemask that covers their nose and mouth upon entering the stage area. If an individual does not have a facemask, one will be provided for them.

15. Are these events rain or shine?

The graduate recognition events are rain or shine.

16. Will the events be promoted on social media?

Make sure to tag @salusuniversity on all social media platforms and use #SalusGrad in order for your celebratory photos to be shared.