



Check out the Mandel School Events Calendar!

Commencement FAQs

Tickets

All graduates registered to participate in commencement should have received an email regarding important information needed to get your convocation tickets. If you are participating and did not receive an email, please contact Rick Jennings (rick.jennings@case.edu). **The University Convocation is a ticketed event.** The university allots two tickets for each participating graduate. [Please click here for more information about tickets.](#)

Online Graduate Welcome to Campus Brunch

We are excited to welcome you to The Online Graduate Welcome to Campus Brunch! The brunch will be held on Saturday, May 19, 2018 at the Jack, Joseph and Morton Mandel School of Applied Social Sciences, Noble Commons, 11235 Bellflower Road Cleveland, OH 44106. At brunch, you will pick up commencement tickets and receive further information about graduation weekend.

Please note that even if you are not planning to attend Commencement, you are still invited to join us at brunch. [Please click here to RSVP](#) if you are an online grad who would like to join us at brunch ONLY.

Commencement, Convocation, and Diploma Ceremony - what's the

difference? "Commencement" refers to one special day each May that is comprised of one university-wide "convocation," and several diploma ceremonies. No student diplomas are awarded at the convocation; rather, it serves as a traditional opening when all prospective graduates gather to have their degrees officially conferred by the president before being awarded their specific degrees at appropriate diploma ceremonies later that day. The "diploma ceremony" is where you will gather as graduates of the Mandel School, have your name read aloud, walk across the stage, and receive your diploma.

Additional Commencement Activities

Lavender Graduation, Black Graduation, Multicultural Student Graduation Reception, and the Legacy graduation are additional celebrations held by organizations across the university to celebrate your accomplishments. If you plan to attend, please be sure to RSVP!

Black Graduation Ceremony | Friday, May 18, 2018 | [Click here to RSVP](#)

This pre-commencement celebration at the Linsalata Alumni Center honors graduate and undergraduate students from the African Diaspora who successfully completed their degree programs. Contact bsucwru@case.edu for more information.

Lavender Graduation | Wednesday, May 2, 2018 | [Click here to register](#)

Lavender Graduation honors and applauds graduating LGBTQ+ and allied students by recognizing their experiences, contributions and accomplishments during their time at Case Western Reserve University. The ceremony will include the presentation of cords and certificates by loved ones to graduating seniors. Hors d'oeuvres will be served. Linsalata Alumni Center, Foster-Castele Great Hall.

Multicultural Student Graduation Reception | Tuesday, May 1, 2018 | [Click here to RSVP by April 25](#)

From 4:30 – 6:00pm in the Tinkham Veale University Center, Ballroom A, CWRU faculty,

April 23

- Ohio Chapter Kościuszko Foundation 2018 Symposium

April 24

- Graduate Outcomes Shareback: How can we make a good thing better?

April 25

- SAY Spring Forum
- Mindfulness Workshop Series Hosted by Student-Alumni Network

April 26

- Trauma Informed Care Workshop: "The Cost of Helping: An Organizational Approach to Building Resiliency in the Helping Professions."

Mandel Council Update

Participate in the School's Reaccreditation Process

The Mandel School is seeking 10-12 MSSA student volunteers to participate in it's social work reaccreditation process. On May 16th, Dr. David Jenkins, Ph.D., LCSW, Dean of The Kent School of Social Work at the University of Kentucky, will be visiting The Mandel school. Dr. Jenkins would like to hear from current students to discuss strengths and challenges of our school. Volunteers will be expected to attend a 45 minute lunch and food will be provided. If interested, please contact The Mandel Council: mandelcouncil@case.edu

Volunteer for Commencement

The Mandel Council is seeking volunteers to assist with this year's commencement ceremony on Sunday, May 20th. If interested, please contact The Mandel Council: mandelcouncil@case.edu

Let Your Voice Be Heard!

The Mandel Council wants your voice to be heard! The Mandel Council is seeking input on events and programming that the student body would like to see in the next academic year. Please fill out [this survey](#) so your input can be included as the council plans for next year!

Open Positions

The Mandel Council is seeking applicants to fill the following positions: Online Student Representative and Graduate Student Council Representative. If interested, please contact The Mandel Council at: mandelcouncil@case.edu.

Curriculum Info

Do you have any comments, questions or concerns regarding curriculum? If so, please fill out [this form](#). Your answers will be shared with The Mandel School's curriculum committee, a group made up of teachers and a student representative, that makes decisions about the curriculum of our courses.

Calling All Current Students!

The Mandel School admissions office is looking to interview current students about their experience at the Mandel School. We are interested in hearing your stories, as well as your memories at the Mandel School, your favorite classes, what brought you to the Mandel School, and anything else that may speak to prospective students. These interviews will take 10-15 minutes to complete. **Current students who participate will be entered in a drawing to receive a gift card from Starbucks!**

Starting on Tuesday, April 24th until Friday, May 4th, we will be conducting interviews. These interviews will be conducted either in-person (can include headshot), via video recording, or by completing a Google Form. You may select which interview format is most convenient for you based on comfort. These interviews will be used as a marketing tool on our website, and other media platforms that we utilize to market to prospective students.

Video clips are very useful for recruiting!

If you are interested in completing an interview, please sign up using [this link](#) as soon as possible, or contact Nalini McCargar at nxm414@case.edu.

**If you are interested in other involvement, please let us know!*

We look forward to hearing from you soon!

Apply for Winter Break Study Abroad



Applications are being accepted for our popular short-term study abroad courses during Winter Break:

Global Health and Social Development in India (SASS 375G/575; 3 credits)

Health, Human, and Social Development in Urban and Rural Ecuador (SASS 375A/575; 3 credits)

The Mandel School international courses are designed to be short-term study abroad experiences. This means that the courses travel during winter, spring, or summer break and typically do not impact your regular semester schedule. Please contact **Valerie Rambin**, if you have questions or to schedule your advising meeting.

Thank you from LINK!



Thank you to the Mandel School community for your generous support of the 2018 LINK Silent Auction! Students, faculty, staff and alumni helped make it a success!

Final numbers and results will be shared in the upcoming weeks. Contributions will support the mission of LINK student group and International Partners in Mission (IPM).

Please contact Yi Tian (yxt274@case.edu) or Kim McFarlin (kms46@case.edu) with questions or feedback about the event.

Planning Ahead

May 2

- **MSASS Community Night**
- **Lavender Graduation**

May 4

- **Mandel Leadership Fellows and Child Welfare Fellows Programs Capstone Presentation**

May 6

- **Student Run Health Clinic Summer Session IW Event**

May 8

- **Financial Workshop beyond Financial Aid | Preparing for the real-world after Graduation**

May 10

- **Let's End Mass Incarceration in Ohio!**

May 11

- **"Anything to Fear? Recent Research on Immigrants and Violence in the United States" | Michael Vaughn, PhD**

May 15

- **PEP Training Event: Trauma-Informed Practices**

May 20

- [Commencement](#)

May 22 - 25

- [International Conference on Conflict Resolution in Education \(CRE\)](#)
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Find Mandel School Weekly Online: <http://msass.case.edu/about/mandel-newsletter/>

Have a question or concern? Have a question or concern? Email mandelcouncil@case.edu

Every Monday morning, The Weekly is sent to all students to keep you informed and updated about all the happenings on campus, online, and everywhere in-between!

If you have an event or news item, please email MandelSchoolEvents@case.edu.

All events are listed on the **School Event Calendar**, which you can sync with your personal Google calendar and never miss an event or deadline. [[Learn how to sync](#)]

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