



THE UNIVERSITY OF
CHICAGO

*The Five Hundred Eleventh
Convocation*

June 9, 2012

About Convocation

EACH SPRING, THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO honors a longstanding tradition by gathering as a community to confer degrees to candidates who have completed their courses of study. We call this ceremony convocation, a term denoting ritual assembly, rather than commencement or graduation. For us, this is a moment to celebrate individual achievement as well as institutional continuity.

The first convocation was celebrated in January 1893. Since then, the University has held at least four convocations every year. Most convocations mark the end of an academic quarter; others are held to inaugurate University presidents or to commemorate significant institutional milestones. The convocation held on Saturday, June 9, 2012, will be the 511th in the University's 120 year history.

The 511th Convocation ceremony, like the first one, brings the entire University together to witness the conferring of degrees to individuals across the divisions and schools. More than 20,000 candidates and attendees will share in this festive occasion. At other ceremonies held by the divisions and schools, degree candidates will be honored individually through the presentation of diplomas and/or hoods.

Within this booklet you will find a schedule of the times and locations for the many ceremonies and events celebrating convocation. You will also find other helpful information you can use as you plan your visit to campus. Please keep this booklet with you as convocation weekend approaches and visit convocation.uchicago.edu for the most current information and weather-related alerts (if necessary).

This will be an exciting and memorable day for graduating students. We look forward to seeing family and friends celebrating in their achievement.

Convocation Overview

THE CONVOCATION ADDRESS

By tradition, the address is given by a member of the faculty of the University.



STEPHEN RAUDENBUSH, the Lewis-Sebring Distinguished Service Professor in the Department of Sociology and Chairman of the Committee on Education, will deliver the 511th Convocation Address. A leading scholar on quantitative methods for studying child and youth development within social settings such as classrooms, schools, and neighborhoods, Raudenbush is best known for work on developing methods that allow researchers to study schooling and child development.

UNIVERSITY CEREMONY

THE 511TH CONVOCATION will take place on Saturday, June 9, 2012, at 9:15 a.m. and will be held outdoors (rain or shine) on the University's Main Quadrangle. All candidates will participate in this ceremony, during which the president will confer degrees to groups of candidates by degree type and academic program. Individual divisions and schools will hold separate ceremonies or receptions at which degree candidates will receive their diplomas individually from their deans. The president will continue the longstanding practice of directly presenting diplomas to each graduate of the College.

SATURDAY, JUNE 9

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| 7:00 a.m. | Main Quadrangle opens |
| 8:15 a.m.–8:55 a.m. | Degree candidates assemble in designated areas |
| 9:00 a.m. | All guests are requested to be in their seats. |
| 9:15 a.m.–11:15 a.m. | 511th Convocation ceremony, Main Quadrangle |
| 11:30 a.m.–4:30 p.m. | See schedule on pages 2–3 for details on lunches, receptions, and ceremonies for each division and school. |

THE COLLEGE

BACCALAUREATE SERVICE

Friday, June 8, at 3:00 p.m., Rockefeller Memorial Chapel
A celebration of the Chicago experience, featuring performances, readings, and the Remains of Education Address. Tickets are not required for this event. A video simulcast will be available in Max Palevsky Cinema, Ida Noyes Hall.

DESSERT RECEPTION

Friday, June 8, at 7:30 p.m., Museum of Science and Industry
At 8:30 p.m. in the Main Rotunda, there will be a toast to the Class of 2012 and a presentation of the Senior Class Gift to John W. Boyer, Dean of the College, and Robert J. Zimmer, President of the University.

CONFERRING OF DEGREES, 511TH CONVOCATION

Saturday, June 9, at 9:15 a.m., Main Quadrangle

LUNCH

Saturday, June 9, immediately following the 511th Convocation, Harper and Crerar Quadrangles. Families of graduates with last names A-K are asked to proceed to Harper Quadrangle; families of graduates with last names L-Z are asked to proceed to Crerar Quadrangle.

DIPLOMA CEREMONY

Saturday, June 9, at 1:00 p.m., Main Quadrangle

POST-CONVOCATION COLLEGE RECEPTION

Saturday, June 9, at 3:30 p.m., Social Science, Harper, and Classics Quadrangles. Graduates, families, friends, and faculty celebrate the Class of 2012.

DIVISION OF THE BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES AND THE PRITZKER SCHOOL OF MEDICINE

HOODING CEREMONY

Friday, June 8, at 10:00 a.m.,
Rockefeller Memorial Chapel

CONFERRING OF DEGREES, 511TH CONVOCATION

Saturday, June 9, at 9:15 a.m., Main Quadrangle

DIPLOMA DISTRIBUTION, LUNCH

Saturday, June 9, at noon,
Biological Sciences Learning Center (BSLC)

CHICAGO BOOTH SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

CONFERRING OF DEGREES, 511TH CONVOCATION

Saturday, June 9, at 9:15 a.m., Main Quadrangle

LUNCH

Saturday, June 9, at noon,
Charles M. Harper Center, Chicago Booth

DIPLOMA AND HOODING CEREMONY

Saturday, June 9, at 4:30 p.m., Arie Crown Theater/
McCormick Place, 2301 South Lake Shore Drive, Chicago

DIVINITY SCHOOL

CONFERRING OF DEGREES, 511TH CONVOCATION

Saturday, June 9, at 9:15 a.m., Main Quadrangle

DIPLOMA CEREMONY

Saturday, June 9, at noon, Bond Chapel
Reception to follow, Third Floor Lecture Hall, Swift Hall

GRAHAM SCHOOL

CONFERRING OF DEGREES, 511TH CONVOCATION

Saturday, June 9, at 9:15 a.m., Main Quadrangle

LUNCH

Saturday, June 9, at noon,
National Room, International House

DIPLOMA AND CERTIFICATE CEREMONY

Saturday, June 9, at 1:30 p.m.,
Assembly Hall, International House

HARRIS SCHOOL OF PUBLIC POLICY STUDIES

CONFERRING OF DEGREES, 511TH CONVOCATION

Saturday, June 9, at 9:15 a.m., Main Quadrangle

DIPLOMA AND HOODING CEREMONY

Saturday, June 9, at noon, Mandel Hall
Reception to follow, Hutchinson Courtyard

DIVISION OF THE HUMANITIES

CONFERRING OF DEGREES, 511TH CONVOCATION

Saturday, June 9, at 9:15 a.m., Main Quadrangle

LUNCH

Saturday, June 9, at noon,
Bartlett Commons and Bartlett Quadrangle

DIPLOMA AND HOODING CEREMONY

Saturday, June 9, at 1:45 p.m., Mandel Hall

LAW SCHOOL

CONFERRING OF DEGREES, 511TH CONVOCATION

Saturday, June 9, at 9:15 a.m., Main Quadrangle

DIPLOMA AND HOODING CEREMONY

Saturday, June 9, at 11:45 a.m., Rockefeller Memorial Chapel
Reception to follow, Laird Bell Law Quadrangle

DIVISION OF THE PHYSICAL SCIENCES

CONFERRING OF DEGREES, 511TH CONVOCATION

Saturday, June 9, at 9:15 a.m., Main Quadrangle

LUNCH

Saturday, June 9, at noon, Ida Noyes Hall

DIPLOMA CEREMONY AND RECEPTION

Saturday, June 9, at 1:30 p.m., Max Palevsky Cinema,
Ida Noyes Hall. Reception to follow

DIVISION OF THE SOCIAL SCIENCES

CONFERRING OF DEGREES, 511TH CONVOCATION

Saturday, June 9, at 9:15 a.m., Main Quadrangle

LUNCH

Saturday, June 9, at noon,
Tent on 58th Street at Woodlawn Avenue

DIPLOMA AND HOODING CEREMONY

Saturday, June 9, at 2:15 p.m.,
Rockefeller Memorial Chapel

SCHOOL OF SOCIAL SERVICE ADMINISTRATION

HOODING CEREMONY

Friday, June 8, at 6:00 p.m.,
Rockefeller Memorial Chapel

CONFERRING OF DEGREES, 511TH CONVOCATION

Saturday, June 9, at 9:15 a.m.,
Main Quadrangle

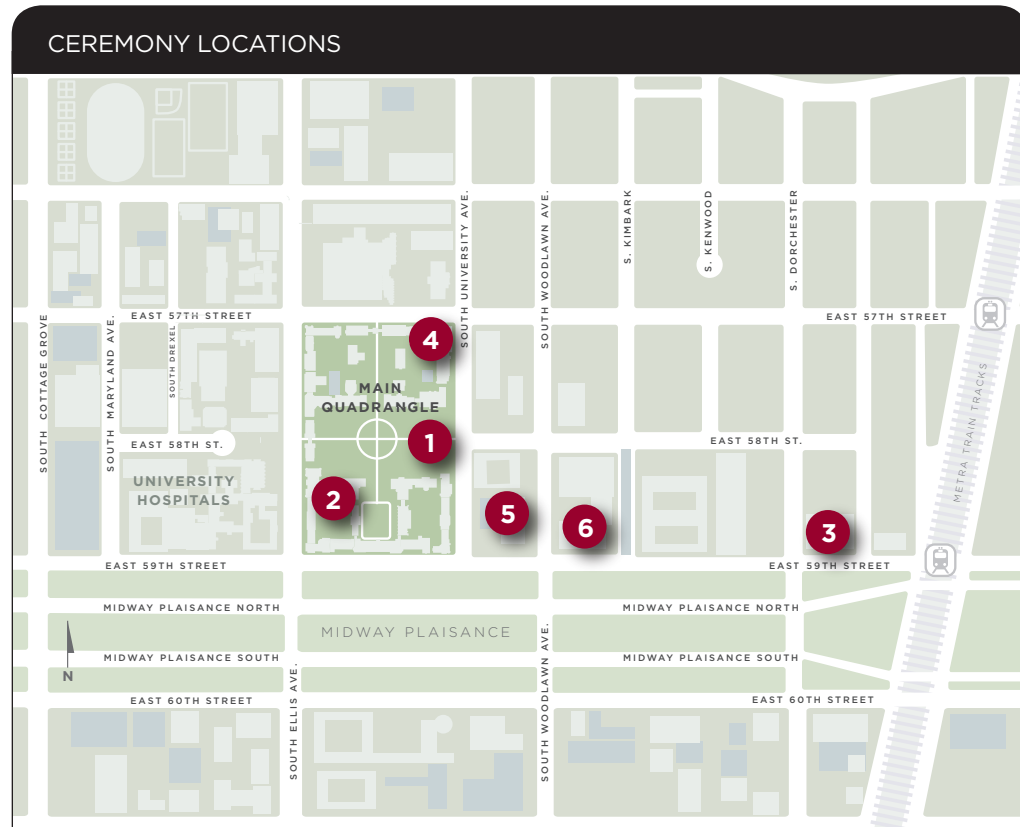
DIPLOMA DISTRIBUTION, RECEPTION

Saturday, June 9, at noon, SSA

DIVISION AND SCHOOL CEREMONIES

Each division and school will send information to candidates about line-up times and locations.

- 1 Main Quadrangle
- 2 Bond Chapel
- 3 International House
- 4 Mandel Hall
- 5 Rockefeller Memorial Chapel
- 6 Ida Noyes Hall



Questions?

For questions specific to division and school ceremonies, please contact:

BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES

773.702.3905

THE PRITZKER SCHOOL OF MEDICINE

773.702.1939

THE COLLEGE

773.702.8616

DIVINITY SCHOOL

773.702.8218

CHICAGO BOOTH

Full-time MBA and PhD Program

773.702.8197

Evening and Weekend MBA Program

312.464.8660

GRAHAM SCHOOL

773.834.0159

HARRIS SCHOOL

773.834.2196

HUMANITIES

773.702.1552

LAW SCHOOL

773.702.3164

PHYSICAL SCIENCES

773.702.8789

SOCIAL SCIENCES

773.702.8414

SOCIAL SERVICE ADMINISTRATION

773.702.1135

CANDIDATE MARCHING REQUIREMENTS

To participate in convocation, degree candidates must have satisfied all curricular requirements and passed all prescribed examinations before the deadlines published by the Office of the Registrar. Exceptions to this rule are not possible.

ACADEMIC ATTIRE

511TH CONVOCATION Degree candidates wear the cap and gown appropriate for the degree they are to receive, regardless of previous degrees received. Doctoral candidates are not hooded at the ceremony, but candidates who have received their hoods may wear them. Because convocation is a formal and traditional ceremony, we ask that any attire or adornment worn by candidates be appropriate for the occasion.

DIVISION AND SCHOOL CEREMONIES Academic attire is to be worn at your school or division's individual ceremony; rules for adornments may vary (please see schedule on pages 2 and 3 for dates and times).

ACADEMIC ATTIRE PICK-UP

Academic attire is available for rent or purchase through the University Bookstore, in person at 970 East 58th Street or by phone at 773.702.7712. Bookstore hours from June 4 through June 9 are: Monday through Thursday, 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.; Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.; Saturday, 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.; Sunday 9 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

BACHELOR'S AND MASTER'S DEGREES Your attire will be available for purchase at the bookstore (\$40 for bachelor's degrees; \$45 for master's degrees). To ensure a proper fit and to avoid long lines, please purchase your cap and gown as soon as possible. Attire will be sold until June 9, but we strongly suggest that you do not wait until the week of convocation. The cap and gown will be yours to retain as a keepsake.

DOCTORAL AND JD DEGREES Your attire will be available for rent through the bookstore at a cost of \$60. The Registrar's Office will mail an academic attire rental card the week of April 23. Please place your order by Friday, May 18. If you do not receive a card by May 4 or if you miss the deadline, please contact the bookstore as soon as possible. Rented academic attire will be available for pick-up at the bookstore beginning Tuesday, June 5, and should be returned to the bookstore after your Convocation ceremony. If you prefer to purchase attire, please call 773.702.7712. You should allow four to six weeks for delivery of purchased attire.

511TH CONVOCATION

For the morning ceremony, candidates will line up in three areas along the perimeter of the Main Quadrangle, beginning at 8:15 a.m. To guarantee placement in the procession, candidates should arrive no later than 8:55 a.m.

RATNER ATHLETIC CENTER	BARTLETT QUADRANGLE
The College	Biological Sciences Divinity School Graham School Harris School Humanities
HARPER QUADRANGLE	Physical Sciences Pritzker Social Sciences SSA
Chicago Booth Law School	

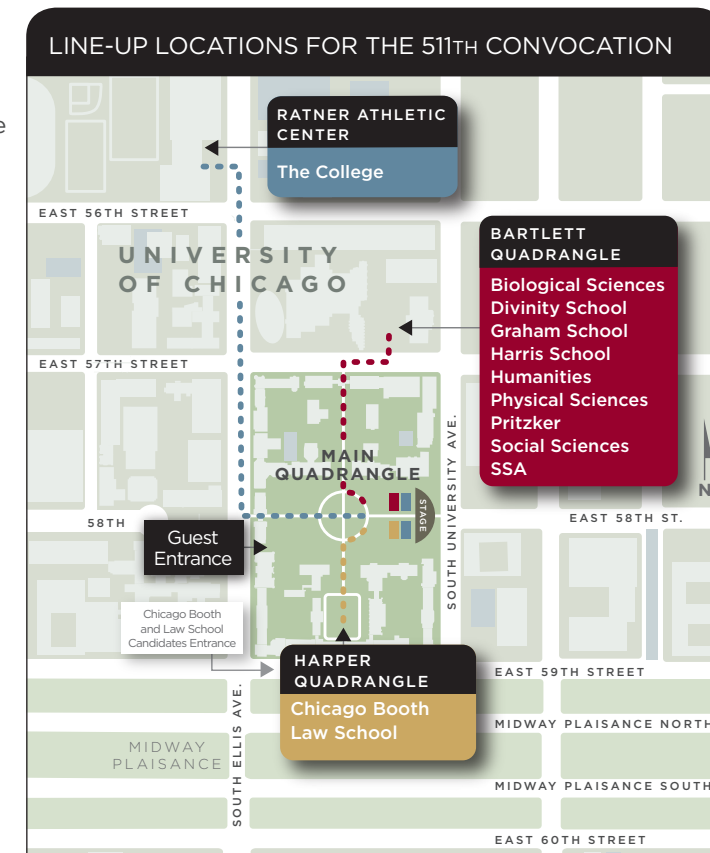
Please see map for line-up locations. Line-up locations for each division's and school's ceremony may be different.

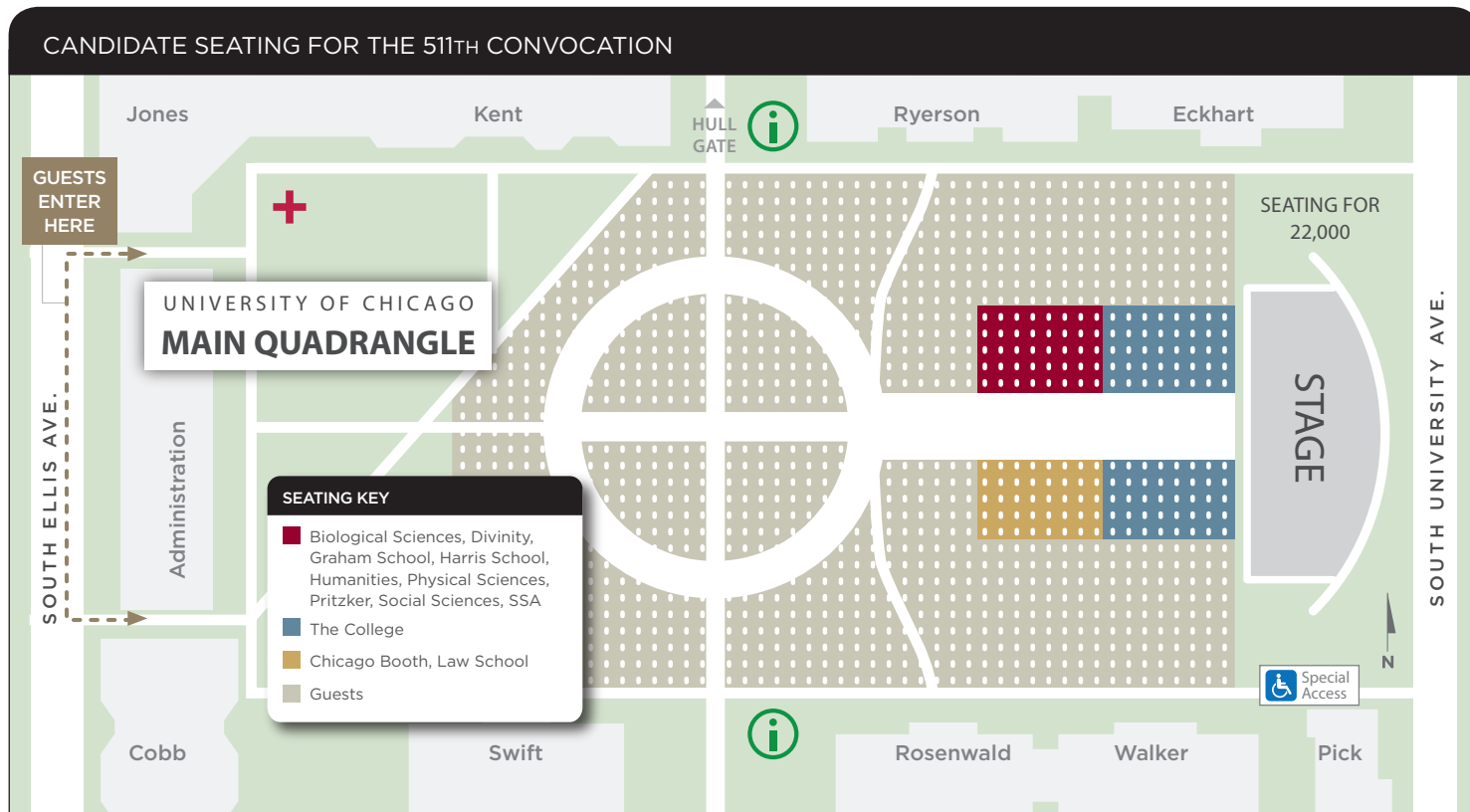
DIVISION AND SCHOOL CEREMONIES

Each division and school will send information to candidates about line-up times and locations. General guidelines for division and school ceremony line-up times are as follows:

SATURDAY NOON CEREMONIES Proceed to line-up location immediately following the conclusion of the 511th Convocation.

ALL OTHER CEREMONIES Proceed to line-up location one hour prior to the start of your ceremony.





SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS FOR CANDIDATES

Candidates with disabilities who need special accommodations or need to make arrangements for religious or cultural reasons should contact the convocation coordinator at 773.702.2513 or convocation@uchicago.edu before Friday, May 25. In your message, please clearly indicate whether your needs are for the 511th Convocation on Saturday morning, a ceremony for a division or school, or both.

WEATHER

In the event of severe weather, please check the Convocation website for up-to-date information: convocation.uchicago.edu.

RESOURCES

WEBSITE: convocation.uchicago.edu

CONVOCATION COORDINATOR 773.702.2513

OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR 773.702.7882

ALUMNI ASSOCIATION 773.702.2150

UNIVERSITY BOOKSTORE 773.702.7712



LOCATION

The 511th Convocation will take place on the Main Quadrangle, rain or shine. Approximately 20,000 chairs will be placed in this large, grassy area.

The Main Quadrangle will be accessible beginning at 7:00 a.m., with entry gates located on Ellis Avenue between 57th and 59th streets. Tickets are not required for this ceremony. Seating is on a first-come, first-served basis, and we recommend early arrival for best seating.

As a courtesy to candidates, families, and friends, please:

- Refrain from smoking anywhere on the Main Quadrangle.
- Refrain from loud conversation during the ceremony.
- Degree candidates and their guests are strongly discouraged from carrying large purses, bags, or backpacks, which may be subject to inspection before entering the Main Quadrangle.
- Children must be accompanied by a parent or other adult who will be responsible for their behavior during the ceremony.

AMENITIES

- Complimentary water will be available all day at a number of stations throughout the Main Quadrangle.
- Large video screens will be placed throughout the Main Quadrangle to provide optimal viewing of the 511th Convocation.
- Arrangements for complimentary lunch vary by division and school and will be communicated to the candidates along with other information about convocation. For questions about lunch arrangements, including locations, please check the convocation website or contact your candidate's specific program listed on page 5.



GUESTS WITH DISABILITIES

Accessible seating is available at the 511th Convocation for guests with disabilities and up to two companions. This seating area is designated for individuals using wheelchairs, persons with mobility issues, and guests with visual or hearing impairment. To make arrangements, please contact the convocation coordinator at 773.702.2513 or convocation@uchicago.edu before Friday, May 25. In your message, please clearly indicate whether your needs are for the 511th Convocation on Saturday morning, a ceremony for a division or school, or both.

TICKET INFORMATION

Tickets are not required for the 511th Convocation on Saturday, June 9, at 9:15 a.m., though they may be required for the division and school ceremonies. Please check with your individual unit as listed on page 5. The Main Quadrangle will open for general seating at 7:00 a.m. Guests are requested to be in their seats no later than 9:00 a.m.



PHOTOGRAPHY AND VIDEOGRAPHY

GradImages will photograph the 511th Convocation on Saturday morning. Photography may vary for the division and school ceremonies. Please contact your candidate's specific academic program via the phone numbers listed on page 5.

INDOOR SEATING AND ALTERNATIVE VIEWING

Guests who prefer an indoor location may view a live broadcast of the ceremony in Kent Auditorium (located within the Main Quadrangle). Seating is limited. The ceremony will also be broadcast live via the University's website at convocation.uchicago.edu.

Accommodations

We encourage you to make arrangements for accommodations for your visit to Chicago during the 511th Convocation as early as possible. Several large conventions in the city that same weekend will severely limit the number of available hotel rooms. The University has negotiated special rates on blocks of rooms at a number of hotels. To guarantee receipt of the University rate at one of the hotels listed below, please make your reservation as early as possible and reference the "University of Chicago Convocation Rate."

Hilton Chicago

720 South Michigan Avenue
Chicago, IL 60605
Phone: 800.HILTONS
or 800.445.8667
Rates: \$199-224

*The Hilton will be running its own complimentary shuttle. Please check with them on timing.

Radisson Blu Aqua Hotel Chicago

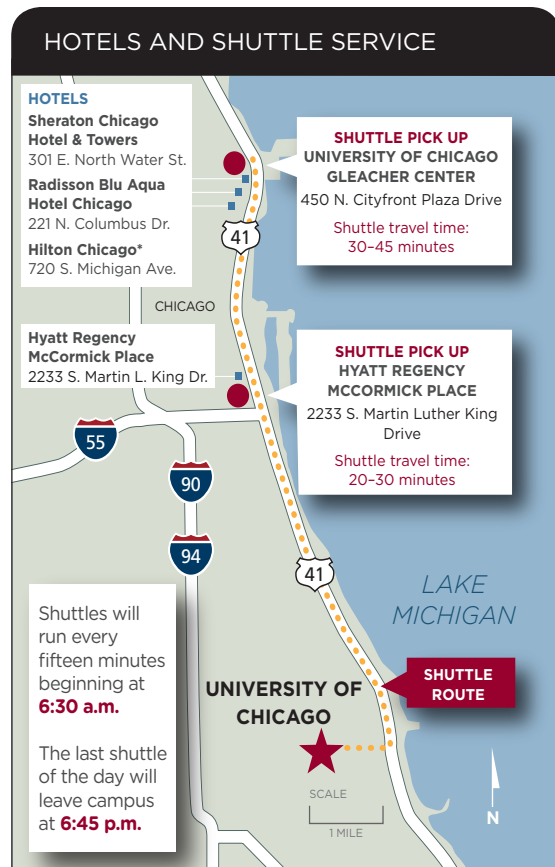
221 North Columbus Drive
Chicago, IL 60601
Phone: 312.565.5258
or 800.333.3333
Rates: \$199-254

Sheraton Chicago Hotel and Towers

301 East North Water Street
Chicago, IL 60611
Phone: 800.233.4100
Rates: \$199-249

Hyatt Regency McCormick Place

2233 South Martin L. King Drive
Chicago, IL 60616
Phone: 888.421.1442
Rates: \$199-249



Parking and Transportation

AS IN ANY LARGE CITY, parking can be a challenge. Please allow extra time if you plan to park on the Midway Plaisance or on other streets near campus. Limited visitor parking is available, free of charge, in campus lots and in the garage at the corner of 55th Street and Ellis Avenue. Shuttle service will be provided for those lots not within close walking distance. For guests staying at hotels outside of Hyde Park, shuttle service will be provided to and from downtown Chicago, with pick-up locations at the Gleacher Center (450 North Cityfront Plaza Drive) and the Hyatt Regency McCormick Place (2233 South Martin Luther King Drive). Shuttle service will begin downtown at 6:30 a.m. and continue to run every fifteen minutes throughout the day. The last shuttle for the day will leave campus at 6:45 p.m.





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