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CSUSB hosts live Spring Commencement for Class of 2022 May 20-21

PALM DESERT, Calif. – After years of hard work in the classroom, much of it online for several years, homework galore, presentations to master, labs to focus on and lots of late nights for study, Cal State San Bernardino’s Class of 2022 will reach their objective on May 20-21 when they will be awarded their college degrees.

More than 2,800 undergraduate and graduate students are expected to participate at the live CSUSB Spring Commencement ceremonies, which will be held at Toyota Arena, 4000 E. Ontario Center Drive in Ontario. Parking at Toyota Arena will be \$10 in lots A, B, C and D. Guests are encouraged to bring exact change. For more information regarding parking, visit [Parking, Shuttles & Directions](#).

It is CSUSB’s first live spring commencement since 2019, before the COVID-19 pandemic forced the university to postpone or hold virtual ceremonies.

As a precaution, face coverings are required for all graduates and guests over the age of 2. Full vaccination or a negative COVID test are highly recommended, but not required and will not be checked at the door. All graduates and guests are required to complete the Daily Health Screening. Please visit [CSUSB Covid 19 Health screen](#). COVID guidelines and procedures are subject to change based on federal, state, county and CSU guidelines.

This year CSUSB's Palm Desert Campus will not hold a commencement ceremony. Instead its graduating students will be participating in CSUSB's four college commencements.

The commencement ceremonies will be Friday, May 20, 6 p.m., College of Social and Behavioral Sciences; Saturday, May 21, 8 a.m., Jack H. Brown College of Business and Public Administration; 1 p.m. College of Natural Sciences; and 6 p.m., College of Arts and Letters and the College of Education.

As part of the ceremonies, CSUSB will award two honorary doctorates. The first will be during the College of Social and Behavioral Sciences graduation ceremony on May 20 when an In Memoriam (Posthumous) honorary doctorate in Humane Letters will be awarded to [Santos Manuel](#), founding leader of the San Manuel Band of Mission Indians. The second during the College of Arts & Letters and College of Education graduation ceremony on May 21 at 6 p.m. when an honorary doctorate in Humane Letters will be awarded to [Paulette Brown-Hinds](#), founder of Voice Media Ventures and second-generation publisher of the Black Voice News.

At the College of Social and Behavioral Sciences, 1,185 undergraduate students and graduate students are expected to participate. The college will honor Melody Robinson, who will graduate with a master's degree in psychological science, as the outstanding graduate student, and Simeone Miller, who will graduate with a bachelor's degree in political science, as the outstanding undergraduate. The livestream can be viewed at [California State University, San Bernardino 2022 Commencement Social and Behavioral Sciences](#).

At the Jack H. Brown College of Business and Public Administration, 605 undergraduate students and graduate students are expected to participate. The college will honor Rosemarie Gilbert, who will graduate with a master's degree in entrepreneurship and innovation, as the outstanding graduate student, and William Nguyen, who will graduate with a bachelor's degree in business administration, as the outstanding undergraduate. The livestream can be viewed at [California State University, San Bernardino 2022 Commencement JHBC](#).

At the College of Natural Sciences, 509 undergraduate students and graduate students are expected to participate. The college will honor Sonia Perez-Gamboa, who will graduate with a master's degree in computer science, as the outstanding graduate student, and Carmen Wardwell, who will graduate with a bachelor's degree in kinesiology, as the outstanding undergraduate. The livestream can be viewed at [California State University, San Bernardino 2022 Commencement College of Natural Sciences](#).

At the College of Arts & Letters and College of Education, 534 undergraduate students and graduate students are expected to participate. The College of Arts & Letters will honor Naim Aburaddi who will graduate with a master's degree in communication studies as the outstanding graduate student, and Ferris Strachan who will graduate with a bachelor's degree in liberal studies. The College of Education will honor Theresa Gonzales, who will graduate with a doctorate in educational leadership, and Oscar Ruiz, who will graduate with an education specialist degree and pupil personnel services credential in school psychology. The livestream can be viewed at [California State University, San Bernardino 2022 Commencement College of Arts & Letters/Education](#).

For more information about the CSUSB May Commencements, visit the [CSUSB Commencement website](#).

About PDC: The CSUSB Palm Desert Campus offers bachelor's and master's degrees, a doctorate in educational leadership, teaching credentials and certificates. Serving more than 2,300 students, it is the Coachella Valley's four-year public university and plays a vital role in educating and training the region's growing population.

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