



UNIVERSITY OF OREGON

# COMMENCEMENT

MONDAY, JUNE 16, 2025



## CONGRATULATIONS, GRADUATES

Welcome to the University of Oregon's 2025 commencement celebration. We are honored to share this important day with you—our graduates—and with your families and friends.

Congratulations on this wonderful accomplishment. This is a day of joy and celebration, a time of reflection on all you have achieved, and a moment of gratitude for the people who have supported you along the way.

Your University of Oregon degree represents years of focus, hard work, dedication, and scholarship. Your experiences and resilience will continue to transform your life in ways that you may not yet imagine. Your journey is also now part of the long legacy of this great university.

While the term “graduation” signifies the completion of an academic journey, today we intentionally celebrate “commencement” to mark the beginning of your next chapter. As the newest member of our family of alumni, you now represent University of Oregon graduates across the state, nation, and world. We are honored and proud that you are a UO alumnus.

Congratulations, again, and go Ducks!

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Karl Scholz', with a stylized, flowing script.

**Karl Scholz**  
President

# **ORDER OF EXERCISES**

## **Gra(n)d Entrance and Processional**

### **Land Acknowledgment**

**Jason Younker**

Associate Vice President and Advisor to the President on Sovereignty  
and Government-to-Government Relations

### **Posting of Colors**

**Color Guard**

## **Welcome and Introduction of UO Chamber Choir**

**Christopher P. Long**

Provost and Senior Vice President

### **National Anthem**

**UO Chamber Choir**

**Sharon Paul**

Director of Choral Activities and  
Department Head of Music Performance

## **Greetings from the UO Board of Trustees**

**Marcia Aaron, BA '86**

Vice Chair

### **President's Remarks**

**Karl Scholz**

President

### **ASUO Remarks**

**Mariam Hassan**

ASUO President 2024–25

### **Commencement Address**

**Jana Schmieding, BA '05**

Lakota Comedian, Actor, and Writer

### **Conferral of Degrees**

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President

**Christopher P. Long**

Provost and Senior Vice President

## EXECUTIVE LEADERSHIP

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Chief of Staff and Senior Advisor to the President

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Vice President for UO Portland

### **Robert Guldberg**

Vice President and Robert and Leona DeArmond Executive Director of the Phil and Penny Knight Campus for Accelerating Scientific Impact

### **Carol Keese**

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### **Kody Kelleher**

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Student

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## **CONGRATULATIONS, GRADUATES, FROM THE UO ALUMNI ASSOCIATION!**

We are proud to welcome you to a community of Ducks over 270,000 strong, and we look forward to supporting you in all stages of flight. Wherever your journey takes you, we will be your lifelong connection to the university and to one another.

Remember, “Once a Duck, always a Duck!”

To learn more about the UO Alumni Association,  
**[alumni.uoregon.edu](https://alumni.uoregon.edu)**

## **HONORING NATIVE PEOPLES AND LANDS**

The University of Oregon is located on Kalapuya Ilihi, the traditional indigenous homeland of the Kalapuya people. Following treaties between 1851 and 1855, Kalapuya people were dispossessed of their indigenous homeland by the United States government and forcibly removed to the Coast Reservation in Western Oregon. Today, descendants are citizens of the Confederated Tribes of the Grand Ronde Community of Oregon and the Confederated Tribes of the Siletz Indians of Oregon, and continue to make important contributions in their communities, at UO, and across the land we now refer to as Oregon.

We express our respect for all federally recognized tribal nations of Oregon. This includes the Burns Paiute Tribe; the Confederated Tribes of the Coos, Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw Indians; the Confederated Tribes of the Grand Ronde Community of Oregon; the Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians of Oregon; the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation; the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs; the Coquille Indian Tribe; the Cow Creek Band of Umpqua Tribe of Indians; and the Klamath Tribes. We also express our respect for all other displaced Indigenous peoples who call Oregon home.

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diversity and compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act.

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