Georgetown Law Graduation Gala

Saturday, May 19, 2018
8:00pm - 11:30pm
The Donald W. Reynolds Center for American Art & Portraiture

Join us in the Robert and Arlene Kogod Courtyard. Explore the first, second, and third floors of the gallery, including the Presidential Portrait Gallery, all open exclusively for viewing by Gala attendees.

Enjoy a festive evening including a dinner buffet, beer & wine bar, and dancing with your fellow graduates and guests.

Introduce your family and friends to Dean Treanor, Faculty, and Senior Administrators in the Dean’s Receiving Line.

Ticket Information:
Graduating students may purchase one (1) student ticket at $50 and a maximum of three (3) guest tickets at $80 each. Georgetown Law subsidizes this event to keep these prices reasonable for graduates and guests.

Tickets for the 2018 Graduation Gala will be sold through Eventbrite starting Wednesday, February 28th at
Guest tickets are required for all guests; however if you have a guest under the age of twelve (12) years old that you wish to attend, please contact the Office of Student Life at LawGala@georgetown.edu or 202-662-9292.

If you would like to be added to a waitlist to purchase additional guest tickets after the initial round of ticket sales, please fill out this interest form: https://goo.gl/forms/IBpJSgCLiHgLPdy2
Should additional tickets become available, individuals on the waitlist will be notified on a first come, first served basis.

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**Diploma Distribution**

"Section Speaker" Auditions"

Graduating students interested in auditioning to be the speaker at their Diploma Distribution/Section Site at Commencement must submit a 3-5 minute video audition that is designed to showcase the graduates' speaking and presentation skills. The speech in the video must be the speech that the graduate will give at the ceremony. The selection of the speaker is made by those graduating within that site; voting is conducted on OrgSync by section/division. The 'sections' are 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6-Transfer, 7, LLM-A and LLM-B.

There is no limit to the number of individuals from each section/division that can submit a video of their speech for consideration. Participants must first register on OrgSync by completing the preliminary interest form on OrgSync. Video submissions are due on a secondary form on OrgSync by 11:59pm on March 19, 2018. Forms will open at 9:00am on March 4, 2018.

Voting will occur March 27th - March 28th on OrgSync (more information to follow).

For more information, including videos of past speeches, visit the Georgetown Law Commencement website.

Questions? Email at lawstudentlife@georgetown.edu or call the Office of Student Life at (202) 662-9292.

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**Visa Letters for Visiting Family Members and Friends**

An official Georgetown invitation letter is not necessary for family and friends to apply for a visitor's visa. You may, however, write your own invitation letter for visiting family members and friends. For more information on what to include, please visit https://internationalservices.georgetown.edu/invitation-letters.

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**Lavender Graduation**
Dear Student,

Congratulations on your upcoming graduation from Georgetown University. As a valued member of the campus community and the Class of 2019, we would be delighted to have you participate in our 10th Annual Lavender Graduation Ceremony.

Date: Thursday, April 25, 2019
Ceremony: 5:00-7:00pm
Reception & Dinner: 7:00-8:30pm
Location: Great Room, Healey Family Student Center

Registration is required for the Class of 2019 to attend and participate in the ceremony, and is open to Main Campus, Law Center, Medical School, and School of Continuing Studies.


Please forward this invitation to others who would like to participate in the ceremony.

Keynote Speaker:

The Honorable Pamela K. Chen (BA ’76, Federal Judge, Eastern District of New York). She is the first LGBTQ identified Asian-American federal judge and the second Chinese female federal district court judge in the country. She participates in numerous community programs, including the New York City Bar Association’s Access to Justice Committee and the Saint & Gaila Steinman Judicial Internship Program as a board member. Before joining the bench, Judge Chen was an Assistant U.S. Attorney in the Criminal Division of the U.S. Attorney’s Office for the Eastern District of New York. Between 1997 and 1998, Judge Chen was a first attorney in the Civil Rights Division of the U.S. Department of Justice, where she investigated and litigated institutional reform cases to protect the rights of individuals confined to state and local facilities, such as prisons, nursing homes, and centers for people with developmental disabilities and mental illness. Judge Chen has received numerous awards for her work including the Women’s Leadership Award from the American Bar Association of New York (2012). For Judge Chen’s Full Bio - https://events.georgetown.edu/parents/hs/grad19/lavender_graduation/


Program:

 Invocation Rev. Mark Bosco, S.J. Vice President for Mission and Ministry
 Welcome: Dr. Reena Agarwal, Vice Provost for Faculty, Prof. McDonough School of Business
 Opening Remarks: President John J. DeGioia (CGL ’79, GRAD ’95)
 Keynote Introduction: William Treanor, Esq. Executive Vice President & Dean, Law Center
 Presentation of Awards
 Recognition of Graduates

ALL GUEST RSVPs: (Family, friends and others) https://events.georgetown.edu/parents/g2019/graduates_reg/

If you have any questions, please contact Julian Hasel at jch084@georgetown.edu

You may forward this invitation to others who would like to participate in the ceremony or submit the names of graduating students directly in your registration form and we will invite them. We hope that you will join our distinguished guests and us for this special occasion at the conclusion of your Georgetown experience. We look forward to hearing from you soon.

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Click Here to Register for Lavender Graduation