Guest Information for GS Class Day

We have compiled a list of recommendations to help make your visit to campus for Class Day enjoyable. Please review the “Quick Tips” we provide below.

Additional details and maps of the campus can be found on the GS website: http://www.gs.columbia.edu/guest-information

Weather
The Class Day ceremony will take place under a tent, but if the forecast calls for rain, you may wish to bring a raincoat, umbrella, or poncho for traveling to and from the reception and ceremony areas.

Parking
Columbia University does not have any public parking available to guests. If you are driving, we encourage you to leave extra time in your schedule to allow for parking and getting to campus.

Access to Campus
Guests may enter through the gates at 116th Street and Amsterdam or 116th Street and Broadway. Guests with disabilities, mobility concerns, or wheelchairs should enter campus at 116th Street and Amsterdam and proceed to South Lawn. An usher will help you to your seat.

Seating
Guests do not need tickets to attend Class Day, and seating is unlimited. Arriving early does not guarantee better seats. Class Day will begin promptly at 9 a.m. Guests with disabilities should begin arriving at 7:30 a.m. An usher will help you to your seat.

Viewing the Ceremony
We ask that everyone remain in their seats throughout the Class Day ceremony to ensure that all guests have a clear view of the stage and monitors. Plasma screens will provide additional viewing opportunities.

Professional Photography
We have arranged for a professional photographer to take pictures of each student onstage and off-stage. Students and families will be able to purchase the pictures at a later date. Information will be sent directly to the student's home address.

Finding Your Student
After the Class Day ceremony, you may rendezvous with your student on the lawn in front of Hamilton Hall for a brief reception hosted by the Dean of the school.

For information regarding University Commencement please visit their website at: www.commencement.columbia.edu.