

March 30, 2017

Dear Graduate,

Congratulations! As the Dean of the College of Social Sciences, I am proud of the hard work and dedication it took for you to reach this milestone in your educational career.

In order to recognize graduating seniors individually, the college will hold its “**23rd Annual Convocation**” on Friday, May 19, 2017, at the Save Mart Center, beginning promptly at 10:15 a.m. and concluding at 11:45 a.m. **Tickets will not be required and all guests are welcome.**

To participate in this event, you **must** complete the online registration form at <http://fresnostate.edu/socialsciences/news/events.html> no later than Sunday, April 30, 2017.

Academic regalia is required and may be purchased at the Kennel Bookstore. Honor cords will be distributed the morning of the event and only to those students participating in the ceremony. Please contact your department for eligibility requirements. Please note: You should bring only your cap and gown. Do not bring purses, backpacks, etc., as there is no secure place for these items.

Students should plan to arrive by 9:15 a.m. and gather at the Save Mart Center loading dock located at the northeast corner, lower level of the building. Parking will be relaxed on the day of the ceremony. Guests may arrive at any time and may be seated. However, be aware another ceremony will be taking place until 9:45 a.m.

Please visit our website at <http://fresnostate.edu/socialsciences/news/events.html> which includes seating information for the handicapped and hearing impaired, as well as other helpful information. **Please inform your family and friends that balloon bouquets are not allowed in the Save Mart Center.**

I hope you will be able to attend this very special event for the College of Social Sciences, and for all our students.

Sincerely,



Michelle DenBeste, Dean
College of Social Sciences