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1. The Main University Ceremony begins at 8:30 am in Alumni Park.
   a. Graduates should arrive by 7:45 am in their cap and gown and line up with the Viterbi School of Engineering. They will process in at 8:30 am. Students do not walk across the stage at this ceremony.

2. The Viterbi Undergraduate Ceremony will begin immediately following the Main University Ceremony at approximately 11:00 am in Alumni Park.

3. Video monitors, broadcasting both the main ceremony and Viterbi ceremony, will be available throughout the guest seating area at the Viterbi ceremony site on the Great Lawn at the USC Village.

4. Most Viterbi departments choose to hold department receptions. The receptions are for both graduate and undergraduate students, so many times it begins during the Undergraduate Ceremony. You can plan on attending the reception after the Undergraduate Ceremony concludes. More information can be found on the commencement website.
Transportation & Parking

We highly encourage you to take public transportation or a rideshare (Lyft/Uber). Parking will be very limited on campus and often fills up early (by 7:00am).

1. **The Expo Line** is the best option for avoiding traffic and congestion, and your guests will get dropped off right in front of campus. It is recommend to park at one of the park and rides along the expo line and taking the short trip into campus.

2. **By Car.** The nearest freeway access is via the 110 Harbor Freeway and the 10 Freeway. Comprehensive directions to the main entrance may be found on visit.usc.edu.
   a. Parking is free for all guests on the day of commencement. Overnight parking is not permitted.
   b. The Grand Avenue Parking Structure (formerly UPX), on the corner of Jefferson Boulevard and Grand Avenue is recommended for families and guests. As parking garages fill up, traffic control will guide cars to the next available lot.

Read more about transportation and parking [here](#).