



**COMMENCEMENT 2017**

JUNE 16, 2017

**SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS FOR ENGINEER'S DEGREE CANDIDATES**

**Programs**

**PROGRAMS FOR THE COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY WILL BE FOUND ON YOUR CHAIR WHEN YOU ARRIVE AT THE CEREMONY AREA. Please do not carry a program in the procession; also, please leave your program on your chair when you go to the platform to receive your degree.**

**Processional**

**KNOW THE NUMBER OF THE ROW YOU ARE IN AND CHECK TO MAKE SURE THAT YOU ENTER THAT ROW IN THE SEATING AREA. YOUR CHAIR WILL HAVE A CARD ON IT WITH YOUR NAME.**

**REMAIN STANDING WHEN YOU ARRIVE AT YOUR CHAIR UNTIL DR. DAVID LEE ASKS THE AUDIENCE TO BE SEATED.**

**Ceremony**

After the opening remarks, Commencement address by Mae Jemison, Glee Club musical interlude, and the awarding of the Bachelor's and Master's degrees, DEAN REES will come to the microphone and say:

*"Candidate for the Degree of Engineer."*

**THE ENGINEER'S CANDIDATE SHOULD RISE, THEN MARCH TO THE EAST SIDE OF THE STEPS AND STOP AT THE TOP STEP.**

Dean Rees will then say:

*"Mr. President, this candidate has completed the requirements laid down by the faculty of the California Institute of Technology for the Degree of Engineer. He has pursued advanced study and research for at least two years subsequent to the receipt of a Baccalaureate Degree, and he has prepared a thesis covering results of his research, which has been accepted by the faculty.*

President Rosenbaum will reply:

*"By the authority vested in me by the Board of Trustees of the California Institute of Technology, I confer upon you the Degree of Engineer and admit you to all its rights, privileges, and responsibilities."*

**When your name is read by Dean Rees, advance to the platform level, take your diploma from President Rosenbaum in your left hand, shake hands with President Rosenbaum with your right hand, go down the west side of the steps, stop on the footprints for the photographer, and return to your seat and sit down immediately.**

Ph.D. degrees will then be awarded. President Rosenbaum will offer concluding remarks, and the Glee Clubs will sing the Alma Mater.

**Recessional**

**AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE ALMA MATER, PLEASE REMAIN STANDING IN FRONT OF YOUR CHAIR until the Platform Party has marched out of the Ceremony area. The conclusion of the Commencement Ceremony is marked by the end of the music. THERE IS NO RECESSIONAL FOR GRADUATES.**