

A Commencement to remember

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Tulane University's Class of 2025 will celebrate [Commencement](#) in grand fashion as the university returns to the Caesars Superdome for its all-school graduation ceremony. Set for Saturday, May 17, at 6 p.m., the event marks a homecoming to the downtown landmark after hosting Commencement at Yulman Stadium since 2019.

As always, this year's celebration promises an unforgettable sendoff, combining academic tradition with the spirit of New Orleans, delivering a uniquely Tulane

experience.

Adding to the excitement, this year's keynote address will be delivered by [Emmy Award-winning actress Sheryl Lee Ralph](#) — beloved for her role as veteran teacher Barbara Howard on “Abbott Elementary” and acclaimed for her work across television, film and stage.

The ceremony will be the culminating event of Tulane's 2025 Commencement week, which [includes individual school ceremonies](#).

Among this year's graduates are individuals who are ready to make their mark on the world.

Tulane University Communications & Marketing has highlighted a few of these remarkable graduates: [a former teacher](#) who earned his degree from Tulane Law School, a dual-degree [graduate from the School of Social Work](#) who is using her voice as a musical therapist to heal and [a political science grad](#) heading to Johns Hopkins University's School of International Service through the Charles B. Rangel Graduate Fellowship. You can read more inspiring stories at news.tulane.edu.

A new addition to Commencement Week is *Memory Tulane*, a self-guided celebration inviting graduates to revisit the places on the uptown campus that defined their Tulane experience. The event will take place on Thursday, May 15, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., beginning at the Lavin-Bernick Center for University Life. *Memory Tulane* is a collaboration between the Commencement Planning Team, Alumni Relations, Student Affairs, Newcomb-Tulane College and Tulane Athletics.

“With Commencement returning to the Superdome, we wanted students to have a meaningful experience on the uptown campus — one that gives them the opportunity to reflect on the places that shaped their journey and celebrate all they've achieved,” said Lori Hurvitz, associate vice president for Alumni Relations.

From pop-up photo ops and giveaways to stops at favorite campus landmarks, such as the Tulane sign in front of Gibson Hall and Bea Field Alumni House, the event offers a way for students to mark their transition from undergraduates to alumni.