

# TOP 10

## THINGS TO DO BEFORE GRADUATION

Welcome to the final phase of your time at UCCS. The UCCS Alumni & Friends Association is here to help you through this transition. We know you are receiving TONS of emails from UCCS with a myriad of important information about your last semester. To help you navigate many of the to-do items we have created this Top 10 list.

### 1 VISIT YOUR STUDENT PORTAL

If you haven't already, log into your portal and apply to graduate and/or verify your application to graduate. While you are there, update your diploma name and mailing address within your graduation application.

### 2 CONNECT WITH YOUR ADVISOR

Your advisor can confirm you are on track for graduation and are meeting all degree requirements or discuss options for any remaining requirements on your degree audit. Email your advisor for more information or schedule an appointment if you haven't applied to graduate yet.

### 3 CHECK OUT CAREER CENTER OPPORTUNITIES

Take a moment to update your Handshake Profile and set up a 1:1 appointment at the new T. Rowe Price Career & Innovation Center located in the UC114. The Center helps current students and alumni connect with employers, conduct mock interviews, review resumes and cover letters and much more.

### 4 REGISTER FOR COMMENCEMENT

We are looking forward to celebrating with our August and December 2021 graduates during the December 17 Commencement Ceremony at the Broadmoor World Arena, which is planned to be an in-person 2 pm ceremony. Watch your email for registration links and info in September/October.

### 5 SIGN UP FOR A LEGACY CORD

Did your parents, grandparents, spouse/partner, sibling and/or child graduate from UCCS? If yes, you are eligible for a free Legacy Cord. [uccs.edu/Legacy](https://uccs.edu/Legacy)

### 6 ATTEND GRADUATION FAIR

The two-day fair is your one-stop shop for all your graduation needs – including regalia, announcements, professional photographer, commencement accessories, and tabling from several campus departments. Don't forget to stop by the Alumni table for your free UCCS alumni t-shirt. Wednesday, November 10 from 10am – 6pm and Thursday, November 11 from 9am – 4pm in the UCCS Bookstore.

### 7 CELEBRATE AT THE GRAD BASH/PIC PALOOZA

Join your classmates on December 15 from 5 – 7 pm for a graduation celebration. Free food, giveaways, and tons of photo opportunities will highlight the night. Watch your email for registration and more info!

### 8 MAKE YOUR CLASS GIFT

Since 2015, graduating Mountain Lions have banded together to leave a legacy at UCCS through the Class Gift. By joining this tradition, you will leave a mark by donating to the scholarship or program of your choice. So far, almost \$60,000 has been raised which has made a huge collective impact at UCCS. With a gift of \$25 or more you will receive a Contribution Cord to wear at Commencement. [uccs.edu/ClassGift](https://uccs.edu/ClassGift)

### 9 TRADITIONS CHALLENGE

The Traditions Challenge boasts a plethora of challenges and is a "must-do" list of campus activities that everyone should participate in before graduation. Win prizes based on how many activities can you complete before you graduate. [uccs.edu/Traditions](https://uccs.edu/Traditions)

### 10 START FOLLOWING US ON SOCIAL

Tag us and use the hashtag #UCCSalumni and #UCCSgrad to celebrate your incredible accomplishments. And don't forget to follow @UCCSalumni on Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, and LinkedIn.