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Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs
Office of the Provost

October 10, 2022

It is my pleasure to invite you to participate in the University's December Commencement. Your presence at this significant rite of passage is important both to those whom you have taught and to the entire University community.

December Commencement is an important occasion in the life of our community. This is a time when we celebrate our students and their academic achievements – both critical elements in the mission and purpose of the University. Your presence at, and role in, Commencement means a great deal to our graduating students, their families and guests. I hope you will join with your colleagues in support of these events and the values they represent.

On Saturday morning, December 17th, Commencement will be held at 9:00 a.m. in Moody Coliseum. Please access the [December Commencement RSVP](#) webpage to let us know if you will attend the ceremony and participate in the academic procession. It is very important that we know how many faculty will attend the Saturday morning ceremony so we can reserve seats for everyone who participates. The deadline to RSVP for attending the ceremony is **Friday, December 2nd**, by 4:00 p.m.

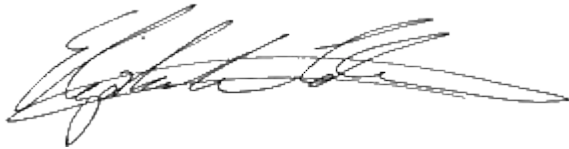
Prior to the ceremony, there will be a faculty breakfast beginning at 7:45 a.m. in the Miller Champions Club in the Miller Event Center, directly inside the entrance to the Coliseum on Binkley Avenue. [If you want to attend the](#)

[breakfast, please RSVP by clicking here](#). The deadline to RSVP for the breakfast is **Friday, December 9th**, by 4:00 p.m.

Confirmations with additional important information regarding entry, security screening and prohibited items will be sent to you closer to the ceremony date. All participating faculty should assemble in academic dress no later than 8:45 a.m. in the Miller Champions Club and prepare to march together to the faculty seating area.

If you need academic regalia, please contact your department administrator to determine the ordering process. Orders for faculty must be placed by **Tuesday, November 1st**, to ensure that regalia arrive in time. After this date, the bookstore will supply faculty with in-stock SMU regalia. More information can be found [here](#).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Elizabeth G. Lobo', written in a cursive style.

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