

Dear Faculty and Staff: The following message was sent to December 2021 graduates and their families today.

Dear December 2021 Graduates,

Congratulations on your upcoming graduation! It is a tremendous accomplishment that all of us at USF look forward to celebrating and honoring. I am delighted to let you know that your commencement ceremony on Dec. 17 will take place in-person inside St. Ignatius Church. I can't wait to welcome you and your loved ones to campus for this celebration.

To ensure the health and safety of everyone, we will follow these safety protocols that are in keeping with guidelines from the San Francisco Department of Public Health:

- Each graduate will be limited to two guest tickets to the ceremony in St. Ignatius Church in order to maintain space between attendees.
- Proof of vaccination or negative COVID-19 test within the past 72 hours of Dec. 17 will be required.
- Masks must be worn at all times inside St. Ignatius Church and every other indoor space on campus.
- The Dons Health Check and COVID-19 Visitor Questionnaire are required for everyone who visits campus. Students take the **Dons Health Check**. Guests take the **COVID-19 Visitor Questionnaire**.

Please note that our plans are contingent upon public health conditions.

The commencement ceremonies will also be livestreamed on the USF website and on YouTube. Please consult the **Graduation Center website** for the schedule of ceremonies and other details.

Congratulations, December Class of 2021 graduates. I look forward to seeing you and celebrating your accomplishments with you in St. Ignatius Church on Dec. 17.

Warmly,

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Chinyere Oparah Provost and Vice President of Academic Affairs

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