Invitation to May 2016 Commencement April 19, 2016

Dear Colleagues,

As we approach the end of another semester, Commencement affords us the opportunity to celebrate the accomplishments of the students whose lives we have touched — and who have touched our lives — whether it be in the classroom, the research laboratory or field/clinical experiences.

We invite you to join us for the May 2016 UK Commencement Ceremonies at Rupp Arena on May 8 as a member of the faculty in our academic processionals. Strong faculty participation in this milestone for our community carries great meaning for our graduates and their families.

The UK Commencement committee has announced time changes for this spring's ceremonies in order to better accommodate a growing number of graduates.

The time changes are as follows:

- 9 a.m. First Undergraduate Ceremony featuring the College of Agriculture, Food and Environment; Gatton College of Business and Economics; College of Education; College of Engineering; and College of Nursing
- 2 p.m. Second Undergraduate Ceremony featuring the College of Arts and Sciences; College of Communication and Information; College of Design; College of Fine Arts; College of Health Sciences; College of Public Health; and College of Social Work
- 7 p.m. Graduate and Professional Ceremony

This year we expect to have more than 500 degree candidates in the Graduate and Professional Ceremony at 7 p.m., and we expect more than 2,000 baccalaureate degree candidates in the Undergraduate Ceremonies at 9 a.m. and 2 p.m.

If you would like to participate in the academic processional of any or all of the Commencement Ceremonies, please go to the Commencement website and register so that we have an accurate count of those participating. All you need to do is navigate to http://www.uky.edu/Commencement/faculty.html and follow the "Please Register Here" link at the end of the "All Faculty" section to RSVP.

If you have any questions regarding Commencement Ceremonies or activities you may contact John Herbst, Commencement Chair at <u>herbst@email.uky.edu</u>.

We thank you for the success of this past semester, and we look forward with you to future years of positively influencing the lives of our students.

With best wishes,

Eli Capilouto President Tim Tracy Provost Andrew Hippisley Chair, University Senate Council