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## **Student Speaker Needed as Part of Revival of Tradition of All Campus Commencement**

Have you ever dreamed of speaking in front of a crowd of classmates, parents and faculty members? Now is your chance.

UC San Diego is looking for an All Campus Commencement student speaker to deliver an inspirational message on the theme “Service to the Community and the World” to fellow graduates at this year’s campus-wide commencement on June 11 at RIMAC Field.

All undergraduates and graduate students earning their degrees in June 2016 are invited to apply to speak as part of this year's All Campus Commencement, which is a revival of a time-honored tradition to celebrate and unify all graduates together. As part of the program, internationally renowned Nobel Peace Prize recipient and founder of the global microfinance movement [Muhammad Yunus](#) will speak. Chancellor Pradeep K. Khosla will also confer the degrees on the Class of 2016.

If you are interested in applying to be the All Campus Commencement Student Speaker, please complete and submit the [All Campus Commencement Student Speaker Application \(PDF\)](#) by March 18, 2016. You are encouraged to include examples of your service in your application.

The All Campus Commencement celebration will be held for the first time in 16 years. Following the commencement, UC San Diego's six undergraduate colleges, Graduate Division and professional schools will host personalized graduation ceremonies for their students, where graduates will be recognized by name as they walk across the stage. All graduating students, family members and friends are invited to attend both ceremonies to share in one of the most memorable moments in a student's life.

A panel of campus leaders representing students, faculty, college and campus leadership will select one student speaker to deliver the speech (up to five minutes) focusing on the event's theme, Service to the Community and the World. During the first two weeks of April, the student-speaker candidates who have been selected to move forward in the process will audition by presenting their respective speeches. The student speaker will be announced mid-April.

Visit [commencement.ucsd.edu](http://commencement.ucsd.edu) for more information about the UC San Diego All Campus Commencement and Student Speaker application process.

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