

## **Chancellor Richard C Atkinson to deliver the convocation address Saturday, June 18, at the College of Arts and Sciences at Northwestern University at Evanston, Illinois**

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Chancellor Richard C. Atkinson of the University of California, San Diego will deliver the convocation address Saturday, June 18, at the College of Arts and Sciences at Northwestern University in Evanston, Illinois.

Approximately 700 seniors will take part in the College of Arts and Sciences convocation, one of 10 such ceremonies scheduled to follow a university-wide commencement at which there are no speakers. Atkinson will talk on "The Next 55 Years."

Atkinson is scheduled to attend a dinner Friday evening with some of the graduating seniors, an event which has become a tradition for the College of Arts and Sciences. Following the convocation on Saturday, there will be a luncheon in Atkinson's honor with a number of students, parents and faculty members.

Atkinson took office as the fifth chancellor of UCSD in July 1980, after serving for three years as Director of the National Science Foundation in Washington, D.C. He was appointed Deputy Director of the Foundation in 1975 by President Ford and Director in 1977 by President Carter.

He is an experimental psychologist and applied mathematician whose research has been concerned with problems of human memory and cognition.

He received a bachelor of philosophy degree from the University of Chicago in 1948 and a doctor of philosophy degree from Indiana University in 1955. He served as a professor of psychology at Stanford University for 20 years before moving to Washington.

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