STUDENT COMMENCEMENT SPEAKER 2018

The Sixth College Commencement Committee is seeking one student who will address the audience during this year’s Sixth College Commencement Ceremony to be held on Sunday, June 17th, 2018.

On that day, a special opportunity exists for one graduating senior to speak about UCSD, the college experience and his or her hopes for the future of the graduating class. All members of the graduating class and in good academic standing are encouraged to apply to be the student speaker.

APPLICATION DEADLINE IS 5 PM ON FRIDAY, MARCH 30TH!

Apply to sixthtacoordinator@ucsd.edu, with “commencement speaker” in the subject

- A cover email with your name, local address, and cell phone number.
- A draft of a speech of no more than five minutes (2.5 pages double-spaced). It should be complete, though you should be prepared to work with committee members to revise your work. Your name should not be on the draft itself.

Students whose speeches are selected for final consideration will be asked to present their speeches orally to the committee. Eligible students will be informed of available audition times.

Speeches will be judged in two main categories: CONTENT and DELIVERY. The selection committee will use the following criteria to rank speeches in the order of preference:

CONTENT

Embracement of the spirit and mission of Sixth College Creativity and originality
Inspirational tone
Rhetorical effectiveness
Clarity of message
Quality of thought and expression appropriate for achievement of bachelor’s degree

DELIVERY

Stage presence (confidence, poise, eye contact with audience)
Enunciation, articulation and projection
Rhetorical skill
Evidence of practice and preparation

We encourage graduates to submit a speech, and to be as creative as they wish. Their message should be clear and relevant to the occasion and the audience. Please avoid profanity or overtly political messages.

For updates about opportunities for students to be heard at commencement visit: http://sixth.ucsd.edu/programs_events/commencement/index.html