School of Medicine PhD & MD Commencement 2014 STUDENT INFORMATION SHEET

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DATE: SATURDAY, MAY 17, 2014

ARRIVAL TIMES/ GRADUATES: 8:15 AM - Report to FELD Entrance on Agganis Way

REPORT TO: (to the left of the main entrance)

Please find William Mara.

GUESTS: Beginning at 8:30 AM, Foyer Doors to Agganis Arena open for Guests

and Families

HOODERS: 8:15 AM - Faculty Mentors/Hooders Arrive, Fit Rec Center, 915

Commonwealth Avenue, Report to room 131, 132

EVENT TIMES: 9:30 AM - Ceremony at Agganis Arena, 925 Commonwealth Avenue

11:45PM (approx. start time) Reception - Fit Rec Center Gymnasium, 915

Commonwealth Avenue

PARKING AND <u>Public transportation is recommended</u>

TRANSPORTATION: GREEN LINE: B (Boston College) Train to Pleasant St. Stop

Agganis Arena (only 600 spaces), Additional parking along Commonwealth

Avenue/BU Lots also free of charge

SHUTTLE: The BU Shuttle Bus will travel along Commonwealth Avenue all day (map

attached)

DISABILITY SERVICES: Beginning April 1st, you can request accessible seating, parking, or other accommodations for yourself or for any of your guests attending the BUSM Commencement by visiting the <u>Disability Services website</u> and by completing a <u>Disability Accommodations</u> request form.

TICKETS: Each graduate will receive 10 ceremony and 10 reception tickets and can be picked up at the GMS Office. MD-PhD graduates will receive their tickets from the Office of Student Affairs during the graduation rehearsal the week of commencement. We will also mail tickets upon request.

NOTES: Arrive dressed in full regalia. Please do not bring any personal items or valuables that you cannot fit in a pocket under your gown. Leave any personal items with family before reporting for line-up. There will not be any place to leave purses, bags, or regalia packaging.

FACULTY HOODERS: Please confirm with your PI or faculty hooder that they are able to attend commencement and would be able to hood you. They must be fully robed in regalia to hood you. All faculty regalia orders must be ordered directly through contacting BU Barnes & Noble, (617-236-7402), if not already ordered.

REGALIA:

Everyone who participates in an academic ceremony at the Commencement Ceremony must wear a cap and gown. The cost to rent the complete doctoral package is \$95.

Orders should be placed in-store at the Barnes & Noble at Boston University on the 5th floor of the bookstore beginning April 28. Please be advised that in order to ensure that you have the correct academic dress for your ceremony with respect to color and size, you should plan to pick up your pre-ordered regalia or visit the bookstore to rent your regalia no later than May 11.

Pre-ordered regalia will be available for pickup at Barnes & Noble Bookstore beginning April 28th. A PhD regalia rental will include: Red Gown with Black chevrons on the sleeves, a Dark Blue PhD hood, a black cap, and one gold tassel. A MD/PhD regalia rental will include: Red Gown with Black chevrons on the sleeves, a Dark Blue PhD hood, a Kelly Green MD hood, a black cap, and one gold tassel. Graduates will not be able to participate in commencement without regalia. PLEASE OPEN AND CHECK YOUR REGALIA PACKAGE UPON RECEIVING IT TO ENSURE YOU HAVE ALL PIECES.

REGALIA RETURN: Barnes & Noble will be on location at the Agganis Arena Ticket lobby for rental regalia return from 12 p.m. – 2 p.m. on Saturday. This service is for the School of Medicine graduates, who do not wish to travel to Kenmore Square to return their gowns.

***Please note that all regalia rentals must be returned prior to May 25th to avoid being charged the deposit fee and the full price of the academic dress. Transcripts will also be withheld by the University from any student failing to return rental regalia. ***