What is the rationale for the June 12 Celebration event?

With reports indicating that TFT would not be able to hold the traditional, in-person commencement that was scheduled for Friday, June 12, TFT leadership consulted with TFT students, faculty, staff and administration on a plan to replace the event. Overwhelmingly, it was decided that TFT would NOT hold a virtual commencement and that when it is safe, we will have an in-person, traditional commencement ceremony for the Class of 2020.

Because we still want to recognize the Class of 2020 and their time at TFT, we have planned a live Zoom gathering and celebration on Friday, June 12, at 2:00 p.m. We expect the event to last about 45-60 minutes: it will be a chance for all of us/you to be together and mark this important moment in your UCLA journeys. We will hear from some students, faculty, staff and leadership, and we will take this time to celebrate your accomplishment!

Who can attend the event?

This gathering will be exclusively for the TFT community, including students with a TFT major who have graduated or should be graduating in the 2019-20 academic year, and TFT faculty and staff members. Families will join us for our formal, in-person ceremony when it is scheduled.

Where is my Zoom email for this event?

Students who registered for the June 12 event and are eligible will receive an email with the Zoom link early in the week of June 8. This individualized link can only be used ONCE, by the person to whom the link is sent. Do NOT give the link to anyone else. You may not be able to attend the event if it is already used. If you registered and did not receive an email by Wednesday, June 10, please email Dean Dacumos at dacumos@tft.ucla.edu.

Do I need to wear commencement attire?

Because this is a celebration and NOT a commencement, do not wear commencement attire. Please wear clothes appropriate for a Zoom gathering.

Why didn’t I receive information about the main campus Virtual Commencement Ceremony?

UCLA DOES NOT have a main campus commencement ceremony. Ceremonies are separated by the UCLA Colleges/Schools or Departments. If you are a TFT major, the TFT celebration and eventually the TFT Commencement is your event. The largest UCLA commencement ceremony is for undergraduate students only with majors in the College of Letters and Science. TFT majors mistakenly think they also attend the Letters and Science event, but they CANNOT. That event is for Letters and Science majors only.
What do I need to do to complete my degree?

Attending the June 12 celebration or a future, in-person commencement ceremony, does NOT mean that you completed your degree requirements. Please contact the TFT Academic Counselor who oversees your academics or matriculation to discuss whether you have completed the steps to attain your degree and what other things you need to do.

Without a commencement, how do I get my diploma?

Diplomas have never been passed out at TFT Commencement events. Diplomas are available three to four months after the degree award date. The Registrar's Office will send you information about obtaining your diploma in person (no fee) or by mail (with the appropriate fee) approximately seven weeks after the end of your final term. You may change your mailing address through MyUCLA. For diploma availability information, call the Diploma Hotline at (310) 825-8883. For more FAQs about diplomas, go to: www.registrar.ucla.edu/Student-Records/Diplomas

I am an undergraduate. How will I know if I am receiving Latin Honors?

TFT Latin Honors rules for 2019-20 can be found on this page of the UCLA catalog. Please review the UC graded unit minimums and GPA minimums that students need to have by the time they complete all the courses for their degree to see if they are eligible. If so, and the undergraduate student did graduate with Latin Honors, congratulations, this will appear on your diploma.

I have the link for the June 12 event, how should I sign in?

Please make sure that your zoom sign in name is the first and last name that was listed when you registered for this event. We have a list of names of registered attendees, and if you are not signing in with that name, it may delay or keep you from entering the celebration.

Who do I contact if I have problems logging into the celebration?

Please text Dean Dacumos at (626)863-8317 and explain your situation.

Who should I contact if I have other questions about this event?

Please email Dean Dacumos at dacumos@tft.ucla.edu.