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Subject: Call for Keynote Speaker Recommendations for 2024 Doctoral Hooding Ceremony



**To: Administrative Officers, Deans, Department Chairs, Directors,
Faculty, Graduate Students, Vice Chancellors and Vice Provosts**

What you need to know:

- Recommendations should include a short description of why the nominee would be a suitable keynote speaker.
- Recommendations should be submitted no later than Wednesday, November 15, 2023.
- Prior nominations will carry over to the following year for one year.

Dear Colleagues:

The Division of Graduate Education is soliciting nominations for a **keynote speaker** for the 2024 Doctoral Hooding Ceremony. We are searching for candidates with a compelling personal story and a strong connection to graduate education and UCLA. Candidates must hold a doctoral degree and cannot be current students. The call for student marshal nominations will go out to Deans in the spring.

If you wish to nominate a speaker, please fill out this short [Keynote Speaker Nomination Form](#) with basic information about the candidate and a brief description (250–500 words) of why the individual would be an inspirational speaker for this momentous occasion. Previously submitted nominations will be transferred to the following year for one year.

The keynote speaker is a highlight of our ceremony, celebrating this critical milestone in the academic lives of our doctoral graduates. We appreciate your assistance in nominating individuals who can speak to the importance and impact of doctoral education at UCLA.

We look forward to receiving your recommendations no later than November 15.

Best regards,

Susan L. Ettner

Dean of Graduate Education

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