



**The 2017 Graduation Parade
Australian Defence Force Academy
Thursday 14 December 2017**

Information for Graduates' Families and Guests

The 2017 Graduation Parade will be held at the Australian Defence Force Academy (ADFA) on Thursday 14 December 2017, commencing at 9.30am.

The Academy is pleased to welcome the guests of Year Three Trainee Officers to this important event. We hope that the following information will assist you in planning your attendance.

Dress

Guests are requested to wear the following:

- Civilian: Lounge Suit or equivalent for ladies (medals optional). Please note that seating for the Parade is not under cover, you may wish to bring sunscreen and/or hat and bottled water.
- Current serving members:
 - Navy - All ranks - S2
 - Army - 1 Star and above - SO1 Patrol Blue White Jacket Senior Officer (less sword)
All other ranks - 1B in lieu 2D
 - Air Force - 2 Star and above - Ceremonial Dress 2B (less sword)
All other ranks - Cool Weather 4A
- Foreign Military Guests – Equivalent Ceremonial Service Dress (less sword)

Arrival at ADFA

You can enter ADFA either via the main entrance off Northcott Drive or via the Royal Military College (RMC) Gun Gates off Fairbairn Avenue, as indicated on the attached map. To assist with the flow of traffic and parking, please follow the instructions given by the parking marshals. If you enter through Northcott Drive, you can utilise car parks 90, 92 and 98. If you enter through the RMC Gun Gates, you can utilise car parks 84 and 86. If all car parks are full, please follow the directions of parking marshals. Guests are requested to be seated by 9.15am.

If you require disabled parking, please enter via the main entrance off Northcott Drive and follow the directions of parking marshals.

Entrée Cards

Five yellow entrée cards will be distributed to each Year Three Trainee Officer prior to the parade. These entrée cards will allow you to attend the luncheon in the Academy Cadets Mess. It is the responsibility of each graduate to distribute these cards to their guests. It is important that these entrée cards are secured, as entry to the luncheon is dependent on producing the entrée cards. Please note that there is **no restriction on the number of guests to attend the Parade** - it is open to all guests, family and friends.

Light Luncheon

Following the parade, a light luncheon will be served in the Academy Cadets Mess from approximately 11.30am to 1.00pm for all graduates. Each graduate is entitled to invite **five** guests to the luncheon. As indicated previously, entry to the luncheon is dependent on producing yellow entrée cards, which will be given to the graduates prior to the Parade.

Guests with yellow entrée cards are requested to enter the Academy Cadets Mess via the lower level doors, adjacent to the Parade Ground.

There is a coffee shop in the Academy precinct which will be open throughout the day, should additional guests require lunch.



Wet Weather Program

In the event of severe wet weather (for example lightning or hail), a decision to cancel the Parade will be made at 8.30am. Local radio stations will be advised of the cancellation, or alternatively you may contact the ADFA Events, Ceremonies and Visits Cell on 0427 492 217 for confirmation.

If a decision is made to cancel the parade, an alternative ceremony will be held in the Adams Auditorium. Due to seating limitations, attendance at the ceremony will be limited to three guests only. Remaining family members will be invited to the Academy Cadets Mess for tea and coffee.

Accommodation

Canberra offers a wide range of accommodation for all tastes and budgets from five star boutique and heritage listed hotels and motels, to serviced apartments, bed and breakfasts, backpackers and camping. You can find further accommodation information at the following website:

<http://www.visitcanberra.com.au/Accommodation.aspx>. You can receive assistance with choosing and booking your accommodation by calling the Canberra and Region Visitors Centre on 1300 554 114, or book online.

Photographs

Photography is permitted; however, photographs will also be taken by UNSW Canberra staff and *Scene To Believe* during the graduation week.

The graduates can purchase photography and testamur framing prior to Graduation Week from the following website: <http://www.scenetobelieve.com.au/unsw>

Alternatively, it can be purchased on the day of the Degree Conferral Ceremonies and Graduation Parade (13-14 December 2017).

Images from the parade will be available at the following website <http://images.defence.gov.au>.

Graduation Parade Footage

A video of the Graduation Parade will be made available via YouTube. Please visit the following website from February 2017 to view and download the Parade: www.youtube/channelADC.

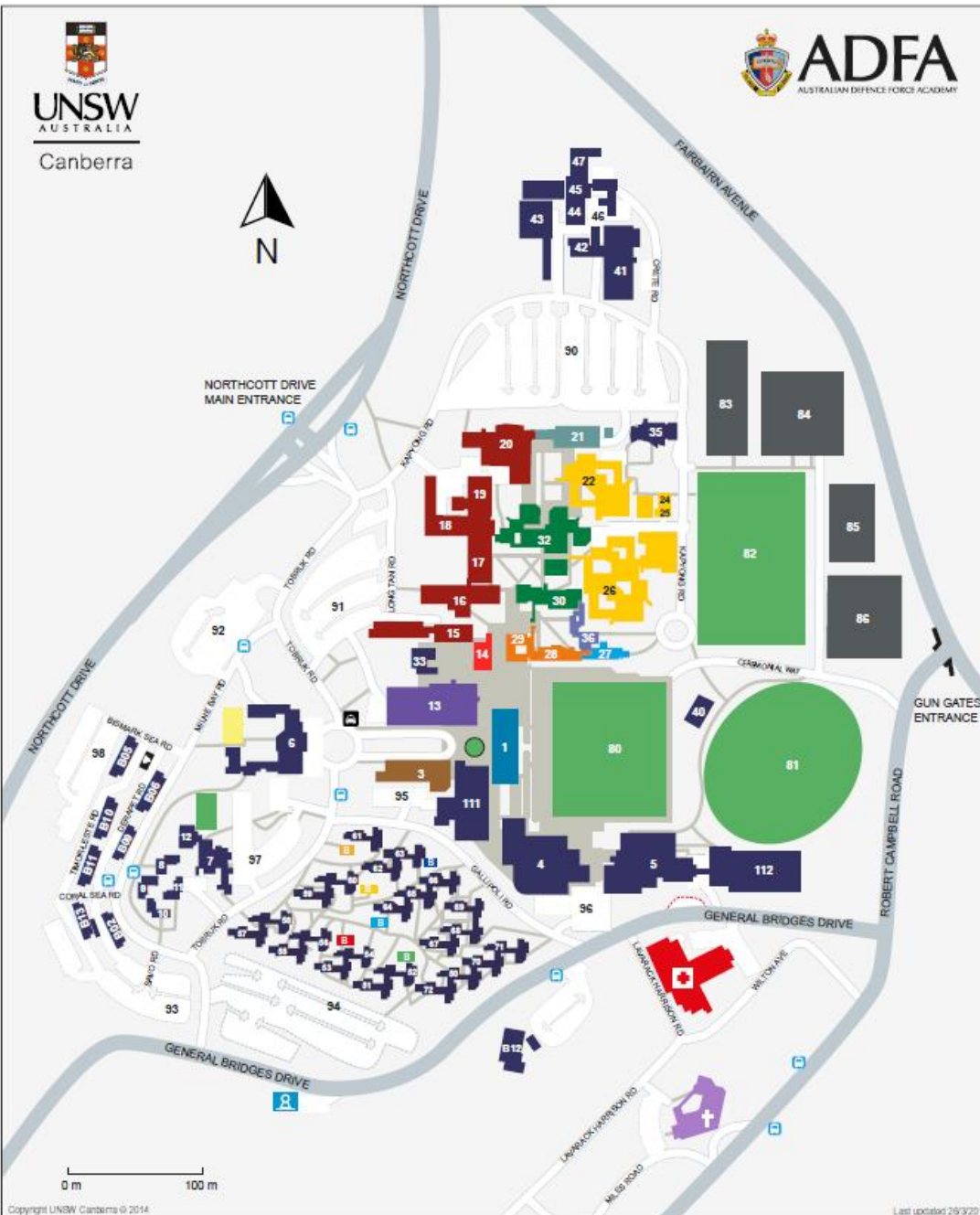
Graduation Ball

The Graduation Ball will be held on Thursday 14 December 2017 from 5.45pm to 11.30pm (approx) at the National Convention Centre. The Graduation Ball is the final opportunity for the graduating class to celebrate with their fellow graduates and family, on their accomplishments throughout their tenure at the Academy. It is a black tie event and tickets are \$160. We ask that you please order your tickets through your known graduate.



Graduation Week Information

Event	Date	Time	Location	Dress	Comments
Church Service	Tuesday 12 Dec 17	3.30 pm – 4.30 pm	ANZAC Memorial Chapel of St Paul, Robert Campbell Rd, Duntroon (see attached map)	Dress: Lounge Suit or equivalent for ladies	No tickets required – parents and guests of graduates are welcome. Please be seated by 3.20 pm.
Degree Conferral Ceremonies	Wednesday 13 Dec 17	10.00 am – 12.00 pm Business, Humanities and Social Science 2.00 pm – 4.00 pm Engineering, Science and Technology	Adams Auditorium (Building 111 – see attached map)	Dress: Lounge Suit or equivalent for ladies	Each graduate will receive 3 guest tickets only. Please be seated 15 mins prior to the ceremony.
Prizes and Awards Ceremony	Wednesday 13 Dec 17	6.00 pm – 7.00 pm	Adams Auditorium (Building 111 – see attached map)	Dress: Lounge Suit or equivalent for ladies	Parents and guests of prize winners are welcome to attend this ceremony. Parents and guests of prize winners are also welcome to attend the supper at Adams Auditorium from 7.00 pm to 8.00 pm.
Graduation Parade	Thursday 14 Dec 17	9.30 am – 11.30 am	ADFA Parade Ground (marked 80 in the attached map)	Dress: Lounge Suit or equivalent for ladies	Please be seated by 9.15 am. All family members and friends are invited to the parade. A light luncheon will be served after the parade. Each graduate is entitled to invite <u>5</u> <u>guests</u> to the lunch (<u>admission by yellow entrée</u> <u>card only</u>).
Academy Graduate Certificate Presentation	Thursday 14 Dec 17	1.30 pm – 2.30 pm	Adams Auditorium (Building 111 – see attached map)	Dress: Lounge Suit or equivalent for ladies	No tickets required – parents and guests are welcome. Please be seated by 1.20 pm.
Graduation Ball	Thursday 14 Dec 17	5.45 pm – 11.30 pm	National Convention Centre	Dress: Black Tie	Please order your tickets through your known graduate. Navy and Air Force Promotions will be held at the Ball.



BUILDING LEGEND

Military Facilities / Academic Buildings

- 1** Administration / Finance / Relationship Management Team (RMT) / HS & Facilities
- 3** Military Building
- 4** Academy Cadets Mess
- 5** Indoor Sports Centre
- 6** Officers Mess
- 7** SNCO Mess
- 12** Junior Ranks Mess
- 13** Academy Library
- 13** Creative Media Unit (CMU)
- 13** Human Resources (Located at the end of the corridor)
- 14** Information Communication Technology Services (ICTS)
- 15-21** School of Engineering & Information Technology (SEIT)
- 21** Research and International Office (RIO) / Equity Office
- 22** School of Physical, Environmental & Mathematical Sciences (PEMS) North
- 24** Physical Plant Equipment
- 25** East Plant Room
- 26** School of Physical, Environmental & Mathematical Sciences (PEMS) South
- 27** School of Business (BUS)
- 28-29** School of Humanities & Social Sciences (HASS)
- 30** Lecture Theatre South
- 32** Lecture Theatre North
- 33** ADFA Café / Banks / Hairdresser / Coop Bookshop
- 35** Capability & Technology Management College (CTMC)
- 36** Learning and Teaching Group (LTG)
- 36** Defence Force Chaplains College (DFCC)
- 40** Grand Stand
- 41** ACT Defence Clothing Store / University Main Store
- 42-44** Australia's Federation Guard (AFG)
- 45-47** Maintenance Contractor / Maintenance Contract Office
- 111** Student Administrative Services (SAS) / Research Student Unit (RSU)
- 111** Adams Auditorium / Bandroom
- 112** Indoor Sports Centre Annex
- B12** Weapons and Training Simulation System (WTSS)

Accommodation

- 7** SNCO Accommodation
- 8-11** AFG Accommodation
- 50-72** Cadet LIA
- 802-813** SL Officer Accommodation

Outdoor Facilities

- 80** Main Parade Ground
- 81** AFL Oval
- 82** Dowsett Rugby Field
- 83** Tennis Courts
- 84** Hard Stand Upper
- 85** Tennis Courts
- 86** Hard Stand Lower

Carparks

- 90** Carpark
- 91** Carpark
- 92** Officers Mess Carpark
- 93** Carpark
- 94** Cadet Carpark
- 95** Military Carpark
- 96** Indoor Sport Centre Carpark
- 97** Carpark
- 98** Carpark

Key	
	Pedestrian Area
	Minor Road
	Major Road
	Carpark / Service Roads
	Emergency Vehicle Parking
	Bus Stop
	Taxi Rank
	General Bridges Grave
	ANZAC Memorial Chapel of St Paul
	Duntroon Health Centre
	Bike Shelters
	Beach Volleyball Court
	SL Accommodation Concierge