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Spring 2024 Commencement Information Session

For Students Graduating in the 2023-2024 Academic Year

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- Point of contact regarding college commencement information.
- Commencement reminders will be sent to you via email from me and can be found on the website at archdesign.utk.edu/for-students/commencement.
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WELCOME TO THE
ALUMNI FAMILY!

BE PROUD.

Carry on the traditions of the past! Wear orange on Big Orange Fridays, sing Rocky Top loud, and follow us on social media. Share your UT story and brag about your accomplishments at **alumni.utk.edu/volnotes**.

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APPAREL FOR YOU, SCHOLARSHIPS FOR THEM

Shop for UT alumni merchandise at the VolShop and support student scholarships. Show your Big Orange pride with polos, jackets, and sweaters or pick up a cup, coasters, decal, or license plate.
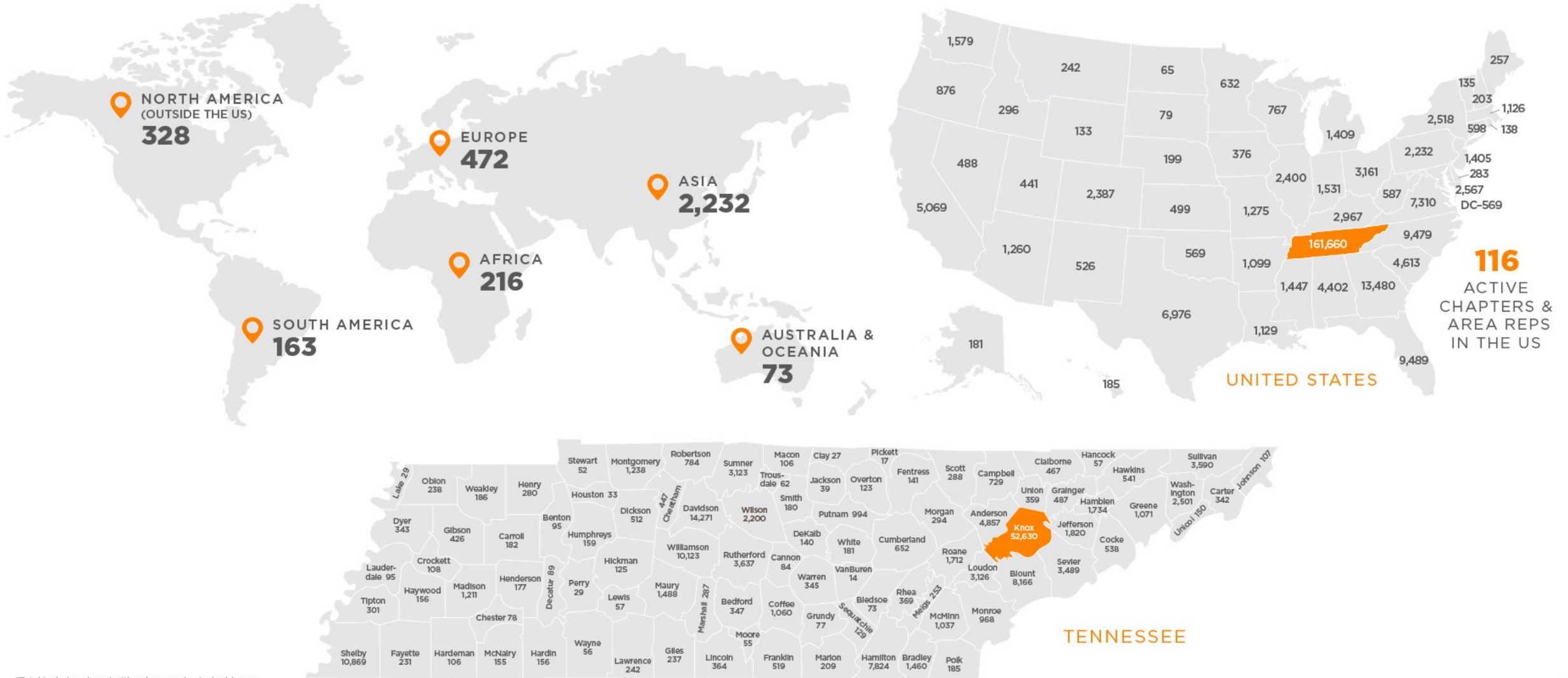
tiny.utk.edu/alumnigear

BE INVOLVED.

We've got your back with professional resources, social events, and networking opportunities. Find an alumni chapter near you alumni.utk.edu/chapters.

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As of August 2023, there are more than **275,000** UT Knoxville alumni around the globe.*

NORTH AMERICA (OUTSIDE THE US)
328

EUROPE
472

ASIA
2,232

AFRICA
216

SOUTH AMERICA
163

AUSTRALIA & OCEANIA
73

UNITED STATES

1,579 · 242 · 65 · 632 · 257 · 135 · 203 · 1,126 · 876 · 296 · 79 · 767 · 2,518 · 598 · 138 · 133 · 1,409 · 2,232 · 1,405 · 283 · 488 · 199 · 376 · 3,161 · 587 · 2,567 · 441 · 2,387 · 2,400 · 1,531 · 7,310 · DC-569 · 5,069 · 499 · 1,275 · 2,967 · 9,479 · 161,660 · 1,260 · 526 · 569 · 1,099 · 4,613 · 6,976 · 1,447 · 4,402 · 13,480 · 1,129 · 181 · 185 · 9,489

116 ACTIVE CHAPTERS & AREA REPS IN THE US

TENNESSEE

County	Count
Lake	29
Obion	238
Weakley	186
Henry	280
Stewart	52
Montgomery	1,238
Robertson	784
Sumner	3,123
Macon	106
Clay	27
Pickett	17
Fentress	141
Scott	288
Campbell	729
Claiborne	467
Hancock	57
Hawkins	541
Sullivan	3,590
Johnson	107
Houston	33
Trous-dale	62
Jackson	39
Overton	123
Union	359
Grainger	487
Hamblen	1,734
Greene	1,071
Washington	2,501
Carter	342
Dyer	343
Gibson	426
Carroll	182
Benton	95
Cheatham	447
Dickson	512
Davidson	14,271
Wilson	2,200
Smith	180
Putnam	994
Morgan	294
Anderson	4,857
Knox	52,630
Jefferson	1,820
Cocke	538
Unicoi	150
Crockett	108
Humphreys	159
DeKalb	140
Cumberland	652
Roane	1,712
Loudon	3,126
Blount	8,166
Sevier	3,489
Lauder-dale	95
Madison	1,211
Henderson	177
Decatur	89
Perry	29
Williamson	10,123
Hickman	125
Rutherford	3,637
Cannon	84
White	181
VanBuren	14
Haywood	156
Chester	78
Maury	1,488
Lewis	57
Marshall	287
Bedford	347
Coffee	1,060
Warren	345
Bledsoe	73
Grundy	77
Sequatchie	129
Meigs	253
Rhea	369
McMinn	1,037
Monroe	968
Tipton	301
Shelby	10,869
Fayette	231
Hardeman	106
McNairy	155
Hardin	156
Wayne	56
Lawrence	242
Giles	237
Lincoln	364
Moore	55
Franklin	519
Marion	209
Hamilton	7,824
Bradley	1,460
Polk	185

*Total includes alumni with unknown physical addresses.

CONNECT UT

Join Connect UT, a new forum just for Tennessee Vols to network, mentor, and connect. This platform allows you to connect with a former classmates, reconnect with a professor to share your accomplishments, and hire other hardworking VFLs.

Sign up now at **alumni.utk.edu/connectut**.

BE INVESTED.

As a Volunteer, we give light to others—through service or donations to things we really believe in. Invest in a beloved area to help build an even brighter future for the next generation of Vols at **giving.utk.edu**.

1 IN 3 SENIORS GIVE TO UT.

THANK YOU!

SENIOR IMPACT

alumni.utk.edu/seniorimpact

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ADD SOME ORANGE TO YOUR **WINTER**

Visit the TN county clerk or go to
alumni.utk.edu/licenseplates

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First and Foremost….

Graduation Application:

- **The graduation application deadline was Monday, February 5**!
  - This is the college's requested deadline for your application for communication purposes.
  - The graduation application can be found in your MyUTK
  - This is not the Student Information Sheet (SIS) requested by the college, which can be found on the college commencement webpage.

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College's Commencement Website:

- archdesign.utk.edu/for-students/commencement

- Our website is a "one-stop shop" for finding commencement information from the college and the university.

- Please share this website with your guests as they will find information such as parking for the commencement or accommodations for guests with disabilities.

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Make sure to use your
University of Tennessee email!

Commencement correspondence will only be sent to your UTK email, please make sure to check it regularly.

If you use Google for your email, please check your spam

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Student Information Sheet (SIS)

Due no later than 5 p.m. on Friday, February 23, 2023

The SIS content will be collected via a Google Form.

SIS can be found on the college commencement webpage.

You should receive a confirmation email confirming your submission. If you do not see it, please check your spam and/or junk folders.

Still cannot locate the confirmation email? Re-submit your SIS information.

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Student Information Sheet (SIS)

- We are unable to edit your name or City/State information for the commencement printed program.

- If you want to update your information, you must update the information within the university system. If you prefer to change your information, I recommend starting with diploma@utk.edu.

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Commencement Date Information

College of Architecture and Design's Commencement/Hooding Ceremony

For all bachelor and master candidates graduating from our college in the Fall 2023, Spring or Summer 2024 semesters.

Date: Thursday, May 16, 2024

Time: 4:30 p.m. (Need to arrive 1 Hour prior)

Location: Thompson-Boling Arena

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Commencement Date Information

College of Architecture and Design's Graduation Celebration

A student exhibition event.

Date: Thursday, May 16, 2024

Time: TBD - Prior to Commencement

Location: TBD

Details regarding this event will be sent to you once confirmed.

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Commencement Date Information, cont.

University Graduate Hooding Ceremony

FOR MASTER'S CANDIDATES ONLY

Date: Saturday, May 18, 2024

Time: 9:00 a.m.

Location: Thompson-Boling Arena

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What are the Differences
Between the Hooding Ceremonies?

1. **THE ALL-COLLEGE COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY:** for everyone who is graduating from our college, both bachelor and master candidates.

2. **FOR MASTER'S CANDIDATES ONLY:** the Graduate School Hooding Ceremony hosts a separate hooding ceremony. Anyone receiving a master's degree from our college may participate in the Grad School Hooding Ceremony. Questions related to this ceremony should be made directly with the Grad School.

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Commencement/Hooding Attire

1. Dress code is business casual.
2. Please dress as you would for Career Day or for an interview.
3. Please do not wear super high heels.
4. Cap and gown is required for everyone.
5. Information regarding hood requirements will be distributed by School Directors prior to Grad Finale.
6. Gowns and stoles should be steamed.
7. Gowns are to be closed during the ceremony.
8. Additional cords and stoles are optional. Honor cords will be distributed in late April/ early May.
9. You may decorate your cap, but 1.5 inches is the maximum height for décor.

When in doubt, check out the website!

Commencement Dates/Deadlines

On the college's commencement webpage, you will find links to several different pages that will provide you additional dates, deadlines, and general information, such as:

- Student Information Sheet (SIS) - Due Friday, February 23, 2024
- Grad Finale - March 19 - 21, 2024

Feel free to provide the link to the website
to your guests who will be attending the ceremony.

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Grad Finale

What is the Grad Finale?
It is an event held by the VolShop each semester to provide discounted rates for cap/gown purchases, diploma frames and more. Hoods cannot be purchased at a discounted rate. Details about the hood ordering requirements will be distributed by School Directors prior to Grad Finale.

When will it take place?
March 19 - 21, 2024

Where will it be held?
Student Union Ballroom A - Pay attention to emails from VolShop

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Grad Finale, cont.

- If you do not participate in the Grad Finale, **it is requested that you order your cap/gown and hood, if applicable, no later than Friday, March 22.**

- Registrar to send the CoAD Student Development Office the DARS substitutions.

Questions?

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Congratulations
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