College of Agricultural and Life Sciences  
*Spring 2018 Commencement Student Speaker Application*

The College of Agricultural and Life Sciences (CALS) is accepting applications for commencement speaker for spring 2017 from graduating seniors. The selected candidate will be afforded the opportunity to address the CALS graduating class during the Commencement Ceremony on Saturday May 5th at 7 o’clock in the evening.

Applicants must complete the application, provide names and contact information for references, and participate in an audition. Completed applications should be turned in to 2020 McCarty D. by 5 p.m. on Friday, February 16, 2018. The CALS Director of Student Development and Recruitment will notify students who are selected to audition by Friday February 23, 2018 via email.

Selection is based on the student’s experience in CALS, speaking experience, creativity, and speaking ability.

The commencement speaker will be asked to prepare and deliver a 4 – 6 minute speech. This student will work closely with the CALS Dean’s Office during the preparation and rehearsal process.

For more information, please contact Charlotte Emerson, CALS Director of Student Development and Recruitment at cemer@ufl.edu.

*Students must be eligible to graduate in May of 2018 to be considered.*

**Application Deadline:**  
Friday, February 16, 2018
University of Florida – College of Agricultural and Life Sciences
Commencement Speaker Application

Personal Information

Name: ___________________________ UFID: ___________________________

Local Address:

City: ___________________________ State: ___________________________ Zip: ___________________________

Home Phone: ___________________________ Cell/Work Phone: ___________________________

E-Mail Address: ___________________________

Permanent Address:

City: ___________________________ State: ___________________________ Zip: ___________________________

Education

Major: ___________________________ GPA: ___________________________

Minor: (if applicable)

Please list three references who can comment on the applicant’s speaking ability.

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Give a brief description of your most important and/or influential experiences as a CALS student. (1250 characters)

List one to three of the major points/keynote messages you would include in your commencement address:

1.

2.

3.

List any applicable speaking experiences and/or speaking awards you have received: