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MEDIA ADVISORY

California Secretary of State Alex Padilla to Give Commencement Speech at Santa Monica College Graduation

Largest-Ever Graduating Class in Santa Monica College's History

SANTA MONICA, CA – California Secretary of State Alex Padilla will be the 2019 commencement speaker at Santa Monica College (SMC). SMC's 89th commencement ceremony will be held **Tuesday, June 11, 2019** at 6 p.m. – 8 p.m. at Corsair Field on the college's main campus, 1900 Pico Blvd. Santa Monica.

This is the largest graduating class in SMC's history: 9,110 degrees and certificates will be awarded to 5,905 students; this includes 24 Bachelor of Science in Interaction Design degrees which will be awarded to 24 students, the second class in SMC's history to graduate with a baccalaureate degree. More than 750 of the graduates are expected to take part in the festivities. Two of the youngest graduates are 17 and the oldest, Saul Isler, is 85.

For the 10th year in a row, the ceremony will also be webcast live and available on the college's website smc.edu.

***Media interested in attending should RSVP by June 10 to SMC's Public Information Officer: Smith_Grace@smc.edu**

- WHO:** California Secretary of State Alex Padilla
SMC Graduating Class of 2019
- WHAT:** Santa Monica College's 89th Commencement Ceremony
- WHEN:** Tuesday, June 11, 2019
6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. – Ceremony
6:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. – Commencement Speech
- WHERE:** Corsair Field, SMC main campus
1900 Pico Blvd.
Santa Monica, CA

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