CUNY SCHOOL OF LABOR AND URBAN STUDIES
THE CITY UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK

Commencement Student Speaker Nomination

Nomination for: ____ Self   or   ____ *Student   **Date:** _____

If you are nominating a student, please make sure the student is aware of the nomination prior to your submission. Commencement staff will be contacting nominated students once this nomination has been sent to us.

Student Name: _____**Program:** _____ __Undergraduate __Graduate

Student SLU Email: _____ **Student Telephone Number:** _____

Graduation Term & Year: _____ **Nomination submitted by:** __Self __Student __Faculty __Staff

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Reason for Nomination: *(Nominees, please submit all supporting documents to Commencement@slu.cuny.edu by May 1st.)*

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Criteria and Procedure:

Eligibility:
- Cleared to graduate in the Spring of 2020

Guidelines:
- The speech should be between 3-5 minutes (400-650 words)
- The speech should address experiences common to all CUNY SLU students
- The speech should discuss their personal story
- The speech should discuss the educational experience at SLU – and the power of education in promoting positive change (particularly related to the fortunes of labor and urban communities)
- The speech should both acknowledge and reflect upon the public health crisis currently facing our City and our world.

Submission process
Eligible and interested students are required to submit an application to Commencement@slu.cuny.edu , by May 1st. This application must include a draft speech and a brief bio (no more than 500 words). Eligible applicants may also include a short video of themselves presenting a portion of the speech.

Selection process:
The selection committee will consist of: the Dean of SLU, and two members of the commencement committee. The selection committee will consider the following when making their selection of speakers:

- Clarity of ideas
- Quality of speech content
- Length
- Extent to which the address speaks to the values of SLU and their personal story
- The degree to which the address connects the speaker's SLU experience to the current public crisis