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Gaye Theresa Johnson is an Associate Professor in the Department of Chicana/o and Central American Studies and an affiliate in the Department of African American Studies at the University of California at Los Angeles. She also serves as Chair of the Faculty Advisory Committee for the Ralph J. Bunche Center for African American Studies. A historian of freedom struggles and cultural politics who is deeply invested in social justice movements, grassroots organizations, and advocacy work. Johnson is an award-winning scholar and teacher with an international profile in studies of Black radicalism, Chicana/o cultural politics, and expressive culture. In addition to her academic and activist work, she serves as an advocate, facilitator, and healing justice trainer for grassroots organizations, and also serves on the board of California Latinas for Reproductive Justice. Her proudest achievement is being a mother to her 12-year-old daughter and a part of the circle of friends and family that constitute the core of her life.

This special day and ceremony celebrate a major achievement in your life.

The warm thoughts and good wishes of the faculty, the administration, and your many friends at UC Santa Barbara go with you as you pursue graduate or professional schooling, or your chosen career field.

All of us are confident that your time here has instilled within you the knowledge, skills and confidence to enrich the world around you, and that your future will be as challenging and fulfilling as your years at UC Santa Barbara. We hope that your involvement with your campus is only just beginning, as you now join a network of over 260,000 UC Santa Barbara alumni.
Hail to California

Hail to California, Alma Mater dear,
Sing the joyful chorus,
Sound it far and near,
Rallying 'round her banner,
We will never fail—
California, Alma Mater,
Hail! Hail! Hail!

RECESSION

Carillon Music from Storke Tower

Wesley Arai
University Carillonist

This event will be photographed and recorded.

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