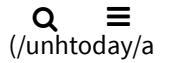




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CNN Anchor Wolf Blitzer to Address UNH 2020 and 2021 Graduates

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DURHAM, N.H.—Wolf Blitzer, anchor of *The Situation Room with Wolf Blitzer* on CNN, will deliver the University of New Hampshire commencement address for both the class of 2020 and 2021. Blitzer will record his speech in order to provide it to all graduates in multiple ceremonies across several days to accommodate pandemic health and safety guidelines. All ceremonies (<https://www.unh.edu/university-ceremonies-and-events/commencement>) will take place in Wildcat Stadium.



Blitzer began his career in 1972 with the Reuters News Agency in Tel Aviv. Shortly thereafter, he became a Washington, D.C., correspondent for The Jerusalem Post and reported from the nation's capital for more than 15 years. Blitzer has been with CNN for more than 30 years having joined in 1990 as the network's military-affairs correspondent at the Pentagon. He then served as CNN's senior White House correspondent covering President Bill Clinton from the November 1992 election until 1999, when he became the anchor of CNN's Sunday public affairs program *Late Edition with Wolf Blitzer* (through 2009) and the primetime *Wolf Blitzer Reports* (2000–05) before being named anchor of CNN's nightly news program *The Situation Room* in 2005. He has also anchored the network's expanded coverage of the coronavirus pandemic.

Throughout his career, Blitzer has interviewed some of history's most notable figures, including U.S. Presidents Barack Obama, George W. Bush, Bill Clinton, George H.W. Bush, Ronald Reagan, Jimmy Carter and Gerald Ford. Blitzer has also interviewed many foreign leaders, including the Dalai Lama, Pakistani President Asif Ali Zardari, former Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev, former British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher, and former South African President Nelson Mandela.

Blitzer earned a bachelor's in history from the State University of New York at Buffalo and a master's in international relations from the Johns Hopkins University School of Advanced International Studies in Washington, D.C.

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