

Commencement Ceremony Attendance RSVP

Submit your ceremony attendance RSVP [online](#) no later than April 26, 2020. If you do not RSVP, it will be assumed that you do not plan to attend the spring 2020 commencement ceremony, and commencement ceremony guest tickets will not be reserved for you.

Commencement Ceremony Guest Ticket Distribution

May 1, 2020 ♦ Friday ♦ 8:00am – 5:00pm ♦ Simmons Hall ZipAssist Lobby
May 2, 2020 ♦ Saturday ♦ 10:00am – 2:00pm ♦ Simmons Hall ZipAssist Lobby
May 4, 2020 ♦ Monday ♦ 8:00am – 7:00pm ♦ Simmons Hall ZipAssist Lobby

Given the limited seating capacity of E.J. Thomas Performing Arts Hall, actual guest ticket availability for each ceremony will be based upon the number of RSVPs submitted by April 26, 2020. No fewer than five (5) ceremony guest tickets will be available for each attending degree candidate. *If you RSVP to attend your commencement ceremony, communication regarding guest ticket distribution as well as the number of guest tickets available will be sent to your UA email account no later than the end of business on Monday, April 27, 2020.*

Commencement Ceremonies

May 8, 9 & 10, 2020 ♦ Friday, Saturday & Sunday ♦ E.J. Thomas Performing Arts Hall

The commencement ceremony in which you participate depends upon the academic college from which you expect to earn your degree. *If you are earning multiple degrees, you are required to march with the highest degree and may only march once.*

In order to participate in this commencement, you must have applied for spring 2020 or summer 2020 graduation, have reconciled all financial obligations, have completed (or anticipate completing) all degree requirements and wear proper graduation regalia. Caps and gowns are available for purchase [online](#) as well as at the Barnes & Noble Bookstore in the Student Union and in the Polsky Building.

May 8, 2020 ♦ Friday ♦ **Check-in is between 5pm and 5:30pm ♦ Ceremony begins at 6pm
 ♦ College of Engineering (undergraduate degrees)

May 9, 2020 ♦ Saturday ♦ **Check-in is between 9am and 9:30am ♦ Ceremony begins at 10am
 ♦ College of Health Professions (undergraduate degrees)
 ♦ U.S. Army ROTC Cadet Commissioning

May 9, 2020 ♦ Saturday ♦ **Check-in is between 1pm and 1:30pm ♦ Ceremony begins at 2pm
 ♦ Buchtel College of Arts and Sciences (humanities & social sciences divisions)
 ♦ College of Engineering (graduate degrees)
 ♦ College of Health Professions (graduate degrees)
 ♦ College of Polymer Science and Polymer Engineering

May 9, 2020 ♦ Saturday ♦ **Check-in is between 5pm and 5:30pm ♦ Ceremony begins at 6pm
 ♦ Buchtel College of Arts and Sciences (fine arts & natural sciences divisions & Multidisciplinary Studies)

May 10, 2020 ♦ Sunday ♦ **Check-in is between 9am and 9:30am ♦ Ceremony begins at 10am
 ♦ College of Applied Science and Technology
 ♦ Wayne College

May 10, 2020 ♦ Sunday ♦ **Check-in is between 1pm and 1:30pm ♦ Ceremony begins at 2pm
 ♦ The LeBron James Family Foundation College of Education
 ♦ College of Business Administration

**Check-in begins one hour prior to the start of the ceremony. Students who arrive between 9:45am – 9:55am (morning), 1:45pm – 1:55pm (afternoon) or 5:45pm – 5:55pm (evening) will be placed at the end of the processional. Students who arrive after 9:55am (morning), 1:55pm (afternoon) or 5:55 pm (evening) will not be permitted to participate.

Reminders

- ♦ All financial obligations to The University of Akron must be reconciled prior to degree candidacy (i.e., name in the commencement program, ceremony participation and degree conferral).
- ♦ **Ceremony Honors and Honors Regalia:** Honors announced at the commencement ceremony are determined by your honors grade point average (GPA) at the end of the fifteenth week of classes. Your honors GPA calculation includes ALL graded courses, including approved repeated and reassessed courses. Honors medallions (baccalaureate degrees) and cords (associate degrees) are distributed during commencement ceremony guest ticket distribution.
- ♦ Please contact your academic advisor with all questions regarding your degree progress. Direct all questions regarding commencement activities to the Office of the University Registrar at graduation@uakron.edu.