

Policy for Non-Graduates' Participation in the Spring Commencement Ceremony

In consideration of students and families who have made prior travel arrangements, effective with 2011-2012, the following policy relates to participation in the Spring Commencement Ceremony.

Students must be enrolled in spring semester so as to have earned at least 120 credits and completed all degree requirements (major, concentration, GPA and/or minor) by the end of that semester to be a 'participant.'

At the end of spring semester (after classes have ended), if an undergraduate student falls within three credits of completing all degree requirements, the Office of the Registrar may extend an invitation to the student to participate in the Commencement Ceremony. These students must have a 2.0 grade point average (overall and in the major).

Undergraduate students who have met the above criteria may participate in Commencement with the following exceptions:

These students' names will be read as "Student Name--Candidate for Graduation." Honors and other similar designations cannot be recognized until degree completion.

Diplomas cannot be awarded until the student has completed all degree requirements (academic, social and/or financial).