



Graduation Ceremony Frequently Asked Questions!

1. What date is graduation?

May 9, 2026

2. What is the deadline to participate?

March 20, 2026

3. What happens if I miss the deadline?

Students who miss the deadline must receive permission from the President's Office to participate.

Please fill out the following form to ask for permission: <https://apps.concord.edu/forms/view.php?id=635172>

4. Where do I order my cap and gown?

Your cap and gown was ordered by the bookstore based on your answers from the Intent to Participate Form.

Students who requested that their cap and gown be mailed to them will be contacted by the bookstore for postage payment. An email from the bookstore will be sent to all students when the cap and gowns are ready to be picked up.

5. Do I need tickets for my guests?

Undergraduate students will receive 6 tickets. Graduate students will receive 8 tickets. Every graduate will receive 4 overflow tickets for the Alexander Fine Arts Center where a livestream will be held.

You can request additional tickets using this form: <https://apps.concord.edu/forms/view.php?id=520756>

6. Where can I request ADA accommodated seating for my guest(s)?

Special ADA Seating Request Form: <https://apps.concord.edu/forms/view.php?id=558022>

7. When do I need to arrive at the ceremony? To be announced

8. Do I have to wear my hood for the Graduate Ceremony?

No, you will hold your hood as you go up on stage and it will be placed on you.

9. Is it online? Livestreamed?

Yes, each ceremony will be live streamed, and the links will be emailed to students as well as on the main page of our website

10. Can I decorate my cap?

Yes, we encourage our students to decorate their caps.

11. How do I get the alumni graduation box?

This will be sent out at a later date

12. Will they have flowers for sale?

Yes, our University Cheerleaders sell carnations and roses for each ceremony. This is a cash sale only.

13. Will concessions be sold?

Information to be sent at a later date.

14. What happens if I have double majors?

Your name will be called and both degrees will be listed.

15. Can someone go on stage with me?

No, due to safety regulations, no one other than graduates may cross the stage.

16. Where do I order pictures?

Gradimages.com or 1-800-261-2576

17. When will I get my diploma?

10-12 weeks after graduation

18. How long is the ceremony?

About 2 hours