



CONCORD U

Graduation Ceremony Frequently Asked Questions!

1. What date is graduation?

May 9, 2025 - Master's Ceremony

May 10, 2025 - Undergraduate Ceremony

2. What is the deadline to participate?

March 28, 2025

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 were 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 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?

No, students will not be required to have tickets for the May ceremonies. Seats are on a first come first serve basis, bleacher style seating.

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?

2 hour prior to your ceremony

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

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

9. What ceremony am I in?

Masters' Ceremony is on May 9th at 6 pm. The undergraduate ceremony is on May 10th at 11 am.

10. 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.

11. Can I decorate my cap?

Yes, we encourage our students to decorate their caps. You can enter your decorated cap into the Cap Contest at the link below for a chance to win 2 VIP Tickets to graduation.

<https://apps.concord.edu/forms/view.php?id=131811>

12. Where is the Gradation?

Carter Center, please find the map at <https://www.concord.edu/campus-map>

13. How do I get the alumni graduation box?

This will be sent out at a later date

14. Will they have flowers for sale?

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

15. Will concessions be sold?

Yes, small items will be available (chips, candy, soda).

16. What happens if I participate in two ceremonies?

Please let the President's Office know you will be walking in both ceremonies.

17. What happens if I have double majors?

You will decide which ceremony to participate in. If both of your majors are in the same ceremony, your name will be called and both degrees will be listed.

18. Can someone go on stage with me?

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

19. Where do I order pictures?

Gradimages.com or 1-800-261-2576

20. When will I get my diploma?

10-12 weeks after graduation

21. How long is the ceremony?

About 2 hours

22. Is it hot in the gym?

The Carter Center is not air-conditioned.