

# SPRING 2020 Graduate Commencement Ceremony

Friday, May 8, 2020

Eligibility	Graduate students whose degree requirements will be completed SPRING 2020 are eligible to participate in the commencement ceremony on Friday, May 8, 2020. Graduates who elect not to participate in this ceremony will not be eligible to walk in a future ceremony unless they earn a new degree.
Where	Clayton State University Athletics Center
When	Friday, May 8, 2020 <b>5:00 P.M.</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>All graduate students (all majors/colleges)</li></ul> Graduates report at 4:00 P.M. to the 1 <sup>st</sup> floor of the University Center
If you are participating in the ceremony:	Registration begins on March 30, 2020. Please go to <a href="http://www.clayton.edu/registrar/Graduation">www.clayton.edu/registrar/Graduation</a> to register to participate. The deadline for registering is April 17, 2020. <b>You MUST complete the registration in order to participate/walk in the ceremony.</b>
Caps & Gowns	Regalia must be purchased by April 24, 2020. You will need to order your cap & gown from: <a href="https://clayton.shopoakhalli.com/">https://clayton.shopoakhalli.com/</a> . Please contact the Loch Shop at <a href="mailto:lochshop@clayton.edu">lochshop@clayton.edu</a> or 678-466-4220 for information regarding cap & gown orders/purchases. The Registrar's Office is not involved in the order/purchase of caps & gowns.
Photographs	Students participating in the graduation ceremony will have an opportunity to purchase individual photographs from a professional photographer. Proofs will be emailed directly to the student. Village Photographers may be contacted at their website: <a href="http://www.villagephotographers.com">www.villagephotographers.com</a> or 1-800-444-7427.
Diplomas	Because all final grades will not be reported to the Office of the Registrar until after commencement, we will not be distributing diplomas at the ceremony. We will be conducting final audits of all graduates in the weeks following commencement. <b>Diplomas for SPRING graduates will be available approximately 8 weeks after Commencement.</b> You will be notified by mail and email when your diploma is ready. <b>Please ensure that the Office of the Registrar has your current address and phone numbers on file by logging onto the DUCK. Please make sure to deactivate any addresses that are no longer correct or current.</b>
Parking	The following parking lots are opened to all guests on commencement day: B, C, D, E, I, J, L, and K. Lot A is reserved for guests with the credentials for ADA only. Please advise your guests that parking will be limited, and they should arrive early in order to allow adequate time to find a parking space. If you have additional parking questions, please contact Public Safety at: 678-466-4050. To view the campus parking map, go to: <a href="https://www.clayton.edu/Maps/Main-Campus/Map-Campus.pdf">https://www.clayton.edu/Maps/Main-Campus/Map-Campus.pdf</a> <b>ALL guests must arrive and be seated before the processional begins.</b> <b>Guests will not be admitted late.</b>

Recognized Honors,  
Fraternities, and  
Sororities

Clayton State University strives to recognize the exemplary accomplishments of our graduates. Students who are qualified members of nationally-recognized honor societies or nationally-recognized registered student organizations (ex. fraternities and sororities) that are also recognized at the institution, during their studies at Clayton State University have been granted authorization to wear regalia from those organizations during the Commencement ceremonies. The only types of regalia items that may be approved are honor cords or stoles. If you have a question regarding regalia for a specific organization, please contact Atawanna Royal, Associate Director of Student Organizations in the Department of Campus Life at [AtawannaRoyal@clayton.edu](mailto:AtawannaRoyal@clayton.edu). Please note that all regalia requirements as specified by the Registrar's Office for graduation should be followed and supersede additional student organization regalia requirements. Students may wear the appropriate symbol of membership in the following organizations:

- Students graduating with Academic Honors (GPA) from CSU - Gold Honor Cord
- Honors Program - Gold Medallion
- Alpha Kappa Alpha - Pink and Green Stole
- Alpha Kappa Lambda - Purple and Gold Stole
- Alpha Lambda Delta National Honor Society - Red, Gold, and White stole, cord, or medallion
- Alpha Phi Alpha - Black and Gold Stole
- Alpha Phi Omega National Service Fraternity - Blue and Gold
- American Medical Student Association - Royal Blue and Gold Cord
- Beta Beta Beta Biological Honor Society - Red and Green Honor Cords
- Beta Gamma Sigma - Blue and Gold Cord
- Clayton State University Athletes - Orange Stole
- Delta Sigma Theta - Red and White Stole
- Golden Key National Honor Society - Blue and Gold Cord or Stole
- Kappa Alpha Psi - Red and White Stole
- Kappa Delta Pi International Honor Society - Purple and Green Cords and Silver and Purple Stole
- Lambda Epsilon Chi Honor Society - Purple and Yellow/Gold Stole
- Military Veterans - Red, White, and Blue Cord or Stole
- NAACP Collegiate Chapter - Black, Red, Green & Gold Stole or Blue and Gold Stole
- National Student Nurses Association (SNA) - Blue and White cord or Blue and Orange cord
- Phi Beta Sigma - Blue and White Stole
- Pi Sigma Alpha National Political Science Honor Society - Red, Black, and White Stole or Cord
- Psi Chi International Honor Society - Blue and White Cord, Gray, Blue, and White Stole, or Black Medallion
- Sigma Alpha Pi, National Society of Leadership and Success - Black and White Stole and Cords, Grey/Silver, and or Red Stole or Cords
- Sigma Gamma Rho - Blue and Yellow Stole
- Sigma Theta Tau National Honor Society - Purple and White Stole
- Society for Human Resource Management - Navy Blue, Light Blue, and White stole, cord, or medallion
- Student African American Sisterhood, SAAS – Purple and White, or Purple and Gray/Silver
- Zeta Phi Beta - Blue and White Stole

Unauthorized ornamentation is prohibited. If your item is not on the list above, you may not wear it during the ceremony. If any university official deems the attire to be inappropriate, the student will be asked to remove the unapproved item, or the student may be denied participation in the graduation ceremony.

Disability  
Accommodations

Disability accommodations can be provided upon request for graduates and guests with disabilities. To request accommodations, please contact the Office of Disability Resources at 678-466-5445 by April 1. Large-print programs will be available at the ceremony upon request for guests with low vision.

**TO DO LIST**

- Order your cap and gown by April 24, 2020.
- Register to participate in the ceremony. Registration is March 30 – April 17.