

SPRING 2020 Undergraduate Commencement Ceremony

Saturday, May 9, 2020

Eligibility	Undergraduate students whose degree requirements will be completed SPRING 2020 are eligible to participate in the commencement ceremony on Saturday, May 9, 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	<p>Saturday, May 9, 2020</p> <p>You must attend the ceremony designated for the college/school of your major. We will not have a rehearsal.</p>
	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>9:00 AM Ceremony</u></p> <p>Graduates report at 8:00 A.M. to the 1st floor of the University Center</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • College of Business • College of Health • College of Information and Mathematical Sciences <p style="text-align: center;"><u>NOON Ceremony</u></p> <p>Graduates report at 11:00 A.M. to the 1st floor of the University Center.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • College of Arts & Sciences
If you are participating in the ceremony:	<p>Registration begins on March 30, 2020. Please go to www.clayton.edu/registrar/Graduation to register to participate. The deadline for registering is April 17, 2020.</p> <p>Students who do not register to participate in the ceremony will not be allowed to do so, nor will they receive tickets to the ceremony.</p>
Tickets	<p>Detailed information regarding the number of tickets will be determined once we know how many students elect to participate in the ceremony. At the present time, we estimate there will be no more than 5 tickets allotted per graduate.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">ALL GUESTS REGARDLESS OF AGE (this includes infants) MUST HAVE A TICKET IN ORDER TO BE ADMITTED TO THE CEREMONY.</p>
Alternate Viewing	Friends and family may view the live webcast in the Ballroom in the Student Activity Center located on the Clayton State University campus. <u>No tickets are required; however, seating is limited to the first 525 guests.</u> Once the SAC is filled, there will be additional seating in The University Center-Room 272 and 267 if needed. Beginning approximately one week after the ceremony, it will be available for viewing on demand at www.clayton.edu
Caps & Gowns	Regalia must be purchased by April 24, 2020. You will need to order your cap & gown from: https://clayton.shopoakhalli.com/ . Please contact the Loch Shop at lochshop@clayton.edu 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	<p>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: www.villagephotographers.com or 1-800-444-7427.</p>
Diplomas	<p>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.</p> <p>Diplomas for SPRING graduates will be available approximately 8 weeks after Commencement. You will be notified by mail and email when your diploma is ready. 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.</p>
Parking	<p>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: https://www.clayton.edu/Maps/Main-Campus/Map-Campus.pdf</p> <p style="text-align: center;">ALL guests must arrive and be seated before the processional begins. Guests will not be admitted late.</p>
Disability Accommodations	<p>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.</p>
Recognized Honors, Fraternities, and Sororities	<p>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. 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:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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.

TO DO LIST

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