GRADUATION INFORMATION

WHAT TO DO:

APPLY FOR YOUR DEGREE
by OCT 1 for fall ceremony
by MARCH 1 for spring ceremony
Note: the APPLICATION FOR DEGREE can be found in your myWSU portal

GRAD STUDENTS:
submit the necessary thesis or dissertation information to the Graduate School before the deadline required

PURCHASE YOUR REGALIA
regalia is available at the Shocker Store
Note: doctoral candidates must purchase regalia at least 3 weeks prior to the ceremony
Note: honors are based upon your cumulative GPA as of the semester before graduation

RESERVE YOUR SPOT AT GRADUATION
by 5PM NOV 22 for fall ceremony
by 5PM APRIL 24 for spring ceremony
Note: opens OCT 1 and MARCH 1 respectively

RECORD YOUR NAME
by 5PM NOV 22 for fall ceremony
by 5PM APRIL 24 for spring ceremony
Note: you will receive an email from Namecoach a few weeks before the ceremony provided that you have already RSVP’d; follow the link to record your name

DAY OF COMMENCEMENT:
CHECK-IN BEGINS 1 HOUR BEFORE PROCESSIONAL
WEAR YOUR REGALIA
BRING YOUR WSU ID OR DRIVER’S LICENSE
DO NOT BRING PERSONAL VALUABLES AS THERE IS NO WAY TO SECURE THEM

PLEASE VISIT WICHITA.EDU/COMMENCEMENT TO FIND THE LATEST COMMENCEMENT INFORMATION

COMMENCEMENT CEREMONIES

FALL 2019
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2019
All Colleges
Check-in: 1:30 PM
Processional: 2:30 PM
Recessional: 4:30 PM

SPRING 2020
SATURDAY, MAY 16, 2020
Fairmount College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, College of Fine Arts, Dorothy & Bill Cohen Honors College, and Institute for Interdisciplinary Innovation
Check-in: 8:00 AM
Processional: 9:00 AM
Recessional: 11:00 AM

College of Applied Studies and College of Health Professions
Check-in: 12:00 PM
Processional: 1:00 PM
Recessional: 3:00 PM

W. Frank Barton School of Business and College of Engineering
Check-in: 4:00 PM
Processional: 5:00 PM
Recessional: 7:00 PM
SECURITY
Wichita State University will be using metal detectors at Commencement. Please be advised that all ceremonies will start as scheduled. In order to ensure that your family & guests are able to observe the full ceremony please encourage them to allow adequate time to go through screening. All bags are subject to search. Bags larger than 14” x 14” x 6” are not allowed. Diaper bags and medical bags are permitted. All backpacks, including those used as a diaper bag are not permitted regardless of size.

NAMECOACH & READER CARD
At check-in, you will receive a card with your name, address and email address. Review the card to verify the information is correct. Hand it to the reader who will use it to read your name as you cross the stage.

DIPLOMA
You will receive a scroll as you cross the stage. The scroll contains information that will tell you when and how you will receive your official diploma. The diploma is usually issued six to eight weeks after graduation. Students who want their diplomas mailed to them may fill out a form in the Office of the Registrar.

PHOTOGRAPHY
A professional photographer will be available to take pictures of you as you cross the stage. Approximately two weeks after the ceremony, you should receive proofs at the email address provided on your reader card. There is no obligation to purchase. All transactions are between you and the photographer.

DISABILITY SERVICES
We request that you indicate when you RSVP of any special needs you will have the day of graduation. For those with hearing impairments, signers are available at a designated location. Handicap parking is also available.

WEBCASTING
Both the fall and spring ceremonies will be broadcast live. Simply instruct your family and friends who cannot attend to log onto www.wichita.edu/commencement and click the link provided to see the live ceremony. The broadcast will begin approximately 15 minutes prior to the ceremony start time.

ALUMNI ASSOCIATION
The Alumni Association will provide each graduate with a complimentary one year membership to the Alumni Association. Graduates will receive additional information from the Alumni Association.

TELEPHONE NUMBERS
Commencement Office........................... 978-3258
One Stop ........................................ 978-3909
Registrar/ Transcripts............................ 978-3290
College Advising Offices:
  Business........................................ 978-3203
  Applied Studies................................. 978-4753
  Engineering ................................... 978-3400
  Fine Arts....................................... 978-6634
  Health Professions ......................... 978-4744
  Liberal Arts & Sciences..................... 978-4757