

Frequently Asked Questions about Commencement



- 1. Why didn't I receive information about graduation?* It is your responsibility to let the university know that you plan to graduate. If you do not do this, we will not know to send you information. See your academic advisor to apply. ***An application to graduate is NOT an RSVP to participate in the commencement ceremony; they are two separate processes.**
- 2. How many tickets can I request for the commencement ceremony?* This will be determined by the number of students who decide to walk in the ceremony. Typically, for an outdoor ceremony you will receive six tickets and for an indoor ceremony you will receive three tickets.
- 3. When and how will I get the tickets?* Tickets will be available for pickup a few weeks before the ceremony. Tickets must be picked up in person. In the case of students that are abroad, student teachers, or August/December graduates, please email [Sherra Moors](#) or call 724-836-7743 to make arrangements.
- 4. Can I get extra tickets?* There is no guarantee that extra tickets will be available, but information will be sent to students via email and posted on the graduation website closer to the ceremony date.
- 5. Is the rehearsal mandatory?* Anyone planning on participating in the ceremony should attend the rehearsal, but it is not required. This will be your last chance to verify honors and name pronunciation. We will also go over how to line up, the processional and the recessional as well as the process for Legacy presenters.
- 6. How long does the ceremony take?* The ceremony typically lasts about 1 ½ to 2 hours, depending on the number of students participating in the ceremony.
- 7. Where is the ceremony held?* The ceremony will either be held on Ridilla Field (behind Millstein Library) or in Chambers Hall Gymnasium depending on the weather. A message will be posted on Pitt Greensburg's website and sent to the campus community on the Thursday before the ceremony letting everyone know where it will be held.
- 8. Where do I get my honors cords?* You will receive your honors cords when you cross the stage at the commencement ceremony.
- 9. Do I get anything for being in an honor society?* Your honor society advisor will provide you with the appropriate honors medallion prior to the ceremony.
- 10. How do I get my diploma?* At the ceremony, you will receive your diploma cover. It will be empty. Once your final semester grades are calculated, you will receive your diploma in the mail a few weeks after the semester ends.