

# 64<sup>th</sup> COMMENCEMENT



**CABRINI**  
UNIVERSITY

## COMMENCEMENT CEREMONIES

Sunday, May 19, 2024

### COMMENCEMENT KICKOFF

Distribution of graduation materials  
Thursday, April 18, 2024

Grace Hall Atrium  
12:00pm-7:00pm

- ✓ Senior Week ✓ Caps and gowns
- ✓ Ticket information

### COMMENCEMENT MASS

Saturday, May 18, 2024

4:00pm

Bruckmann Memorial  
Chapel of Saint  
Joseph

9:30am- Undergraduate Commencement

1:00pm- Graduate Commencement

Nerney Field House, Dixon Center  
Ticketed guests only

Livestream viewing areas in Widener and Iadarola  
Lecture Halls  
Limited tickets available

## IMPORTANT REQUIREMENTS FOR GRADUATION

*It is important to check your Cabrini email daily throughout the Spring 2024 semester as we will provide updates about graduation via your Cabrini email.*

### Application to Graduate

Regardless of plans to participate in Commencement, students expecting to graduate on May 19, 2024 must file an application to graduate with the Registrar's Office. All degree candidates can apply online ([portal.cabrini.edu](http://portal.cabrini.edu)) for the May 2024 cycle by following the link under *More >Banner>Web Student Records* and then selecting *Apply for Graduation*. Students applying for graduation can find additional resources at [cabrini.edu/graduationapply](http://cabrini.edu/graduationapply). Please note that completion and submission of the form does not represent final approval to graduate in May 2024 and should not be interpreted as a guarantee that you have completed all requirements for graduation.

### Federal Student Loan Exit Session with Financial Aid

Students who borrowed a Federal Student Loan while attending Cabrini University are required to complete the exit counseling session by Friday, April 19, 2024. Instructions for completing the online session will be emailed by the Financial Aid Office. The website for exit loan completion is [www.studentaid.gov](http://www.studentaid.gov). Those who fail to complete this requirement will be unable to obtain their diploma or transcript. If you have any questions, or if you are not sure that you borrowed a Federal Student Loan, contact the Cavalier Express Center at 610.902.8188.

### Outstanding Financial Obligations with Student Billing

All prospective graduates are strongly encouraged to check the status of their student account and pay any remaining balances immediately. If you have any questions about your student account, please call the Cavalier Express Center at 610.902.8188.

### Insufficient Credits to Graduate and Commencement Participation

Only students who have fulfilled all departmental and University degree requirements and are in good academic standing within their department and the University will be permitted to participate in Commencement. Since this is the final Commencement of Cabrini University, no exceptions will be granted. Students will be required to complete an acknowledgment of this policy during Commencement Kickoff.

### Alumni Association

Stay in touch with the new Cabrini Alumni Association, which will launch at the end of the year and be stewarded by Villanova. Update contact info by visiting [www.cabrini.edu/alumni/alumni-update](http://www.cabrini.edu/alumni/alumni-update).



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## DISTRIBUTION OF GRADUATION MATERIALS AT COMMENCEMENT KICKOFF

Plan to spend about 30-45 minutes at Commencement Kickoff to complete all stations.

Commencement Kickoff is designed for “one stop” convenience for graduates to prepare for graduation. Prospective graduates can clear any financial obligations to the University and obtain all Commencement-related materials such as academic attire. Please bring your student ID - if lost, another government form of ID. Please make every effort to attend Kickoff to prepare for Commencement.

**Commencement Tickets:** Each student will receive information at Kickoff about how to obtain their tickets via a link from Eventbrite to order (at no cost) tickets to their specific Commencement ceremony and a parking pass. Admission to Commencement is by ticket only. Each graduate will be permitted 4 tickets (for guests-graduates do not need a ticket) and additional tickets for livestreaming venues. NO ONE will be permitted admittance to the Commencement venue without a ticket. If you have additional guests, they can either view commencement from home on the livestream OR they can, with a ticket, attend a “video venue” location on campus (Widener and Iadarola Lecture Halls). The Commencement ceremonies will be livestreamed on May 19, 2024 at [www.cabrini.edu/commencement](http://www.cabrini.edu/commencement).

More information about tickets will be provided at Commencement Kickoff.

**Commencement Parking Passes:** Parking on campus will be determined by the ceremony you are attending, and your parking pass will be printed with your tickets. More information will be forthcoming.

**Photography:** Commencement will be professionally photographed. Each student will be photographed after walking across the Commencement stage. A link to download photos will be shared on [www.cabrini.edu/commencement](http://www.cabrini.edu/commencement) and across the University’s social media accounts within a week of the ceremony (at no cost). Photos will be available for one month following graduation for free download.

**Diploma Frames:** The Campus Store has a variety of frames for displaying your diplomas. Frames in stock will be available for purchase at Commencement Kickoff on a first-come, first-serve basis. Orders for frames can also be placed at that time, in person or by going to

[cabrinishop.com](http://cabrinishop.com) and ordering online. Those wishing to see the frames prior to Kickoff can do so by visiting the Campus Store on the lower level of the Widener Center.

**Honors Medals:** Undergraduate students graduating with Latin honors (*cum laude*, *magna cum laude*, and *summa cum laude*) will be identified by the Registrar’s Office based on their cumulative GPA as of April 12, 2024. Medals for Latin honors, which are to be worn at graduation, will be distributed at Commencement Kickoff. In the event of a GPA change, which would affect your Latin honors, students may exchange the Latin honors medal received at Commencement Kickoff for the appropriate medal in the Registrar’s Office by Friday, May 17, 2024.

## ACADEMIC ATTIRE: DEGREES, HOODS, AND TASSELS

Academic attire for graduation should be preordered at <https://herff.ly/cabrini> by March 11. Academic attire for graduation will be distributed at Commencement Kickoff after staff at the Registrar’s Office, Financial Aid Office, and Student Billing offices have certified their approvals. Graduates will receive a cap and gown, a black cap tassel, and a hood in the appropriate color for their degree. Attire can be kept by the graduates after the ceremony. To find out which color hood you will wear and how to put on your regalia, visit [www.cabrini.edu/academicattire](http://www.cabrini.edu/academicattire). Students are permitted to wear earned honor cords and pins and SEAL/Academic Affairs-approved stoles. Students are permitted to decorate caps.

## COMMENCEMENT INFORMATION FOR GRADUATES

**Calling of Graduate Names:** Students should report to Grace Hall 45 minutes prior to the start of their assigned ceremony. Graduates will receive a card in Grace with their name and Latin Honors (if applicable), which will be handed to the Associate Dean on stage prior to receiving their diploma. Graduates will take a group photo before lining up for the formal procession, which will leave from Grace Hall to formally enter the ceremony in Dixon as a class.

**Diplomas:** Diplomas will not be distributed at Commencement. You will receive a diploma cover that includes an insert with important information. You will receive an email when the diplomas are ready to be mailed. Please make sure you fill out the Diploma Mail Form that will be emailed to you at your Cabrini email.

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## COMMENCEMENT INFORMATION FOR FAMILIES AND GUESTS

**Commencement Ceremony Parking:** Parking on campus will be determined by the ceremony you are attending, and your parking pass will be printed with your tickets. More information will be forthcoming at Kickoff.

**Persons with Disability Parking:** Guests will park in the designated spots in the Dixon Center. After Commencement Kickoff, requests for Disability Parking passes can be directed to Academic Affairs at [academicaffairs@cabrini.edu](mailto:academicaffairs@cabrini.edu).

**Disability Accommodations:** Graduates who require special disability accommodations unrelated to parking for themselves or for their guests should contact Academic Affairs at [academicaffairs@cabrini.edu](mailto:academicaffairs@cabrini.edu) by Friday, March 22, 2024. Advanced notification is especially important if a sign language interpreter is required.

**Restrooms:** Restroom facilities for Commencement will be available in Grace Hall, Dixon Center, Iadarola (1<sup>st</sup> floor), and Widener Center.

**Guest Seating:** Admission to the ceremonies is by ticket only. More information will be forthcoming at Commencement Kickoff. Each graduate will only be permitted 4 guest tickets plus additional tickets for livestream viewing area. The Commencement Ceremonies will be live streamed on May 19 at [www.cabrini.edu/commencement](http://www.cabrini.edu/commencement). **More information about tickets will be provided at Commencement Kickoff.**

**Commencement Decorum:** While Commencement is a celebration for Cabrini graduates, it is important for students and guests to recognize that it also is a formal academic ceremony to be conducted with dignity and decorum. Graduates are asked to remain in their seats until instructed to move to the stage area. Guests are asked to remain in their seats for the duration of the ceremony, and to refrain from blocking aisles and passageways, including the area directly in front of the stage, by attempting to greet or take photos of individual graduates. In support of our graduates, we also ask that you refrain from departing the ceremony early, especially after your own graduate has been recognized and there are others waiting to be recognized. Cell phones and electronic equipment should be turned off during the ceremony.

**Balloons:** Balloons of any kind are not permitted into the Dixon Center or Iadarola. If you bring balloons, they will not be allowed inside these buildings.

**Flower Sale:** Give the gift of flowers and a class t-shirt on Commencement Day! Placing an order online prior to Commencement is encouraged to guarantee your selection. Orders will not be shipped and must be picked up the day of Commencement. There will be an option for same-day purchase at Commencement. The pre-order website will be open until mid-May. To pre-order and browse the selection, please visit [www.thecommentmentgroup.com/cabriniu](http://www.thecommentmentgroup.com/cabriniu).

## ACADEMIC RECORDS

As was announced in June 2023, Cabrini University will be closing on June 30, 2024, following the conclusion of the Spring 2024 semester. After the closure, access to the student academic records of Cabrini University will be managed by Villanova University's Registrar's Office. Details regarding procedures to request those records and official academic transcripts are still being finalized and will be announced as the designated transition date draws closer.

**Transcripts:** Through the end of the 2023/24 academic year, students and alumni can follow the instructions on the Cabrini Registrar's Office website ([www.cabrini.edu/registrar](http://www.cabrini.edu/registrar)) for transcripts.

In conjunction with this closure and transition, requests for changes to Cabrini University student academic records will end for all semesters, as records must be readied and finalized for transition to Villanova. Consequently, any final requests for changes to Cabrini University student academic records for semesters other than the current Spring 2024 semester must be received in writing by the Cabrini University Registrar's Office ([registrar@cabrini.edu](mailto:registrar@cabrini.edu)) by **March 15, 2024**, and they will be reviewed and acted upon within prevailing Cabrini academic policy. Requests submitted after that date will not be accepted, reviewed, or considered.

Spring 2024 is Cabrini's final semester. Cabrini's academic records will be closed completely at the end of the Spring 2024 grading cycle, **30 days after the last day of final exams, or June 11<sup>th</sup>, 2024**. There will be NO Summer 2024 adjustments, courses, registration, grades, or graduation. In addition, once Villanova assumes control of Cabrini University's academic records, they are bound by law from making any changes or adjustments. Therefore, any requests for changes to the records cannot be accepted by Villanova.

Questions regarding these procedures or the announced deadline for academic records changes may be directed to the Cabrini University Registrar's Office at [registrar@cabrini.edu](mailto:registrar@cabrini.edu).

