63RD COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES



Cabrini University is pleased to provide degree candidates and their families with the following important information regarding the 63rd Commencement Exercises.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

COMMENCEMENT KICKOFF

An event for students to complete required steps to graduate and pick up graduation materials.

Thursday, April 20, 2023

Please plan to spend about 45 minutes at Commencement Kickoff.

COMMENCEMENT MASS Saturday, May 20, 2023 4pm

Bruckmann Memorial Chapel of Saint Joseph

COMMENCEMENT CEREMONIES Sunday, May 21, 2023

10am-School of Arts and Sciences 1pm-School of Business, Education and Professional Studies Dixon Center Ticketed guests only

IMPORTANT REQUIREMENTS FOR GRADUATION

Application to Graduate

Regardless of plans to participate in Commencement, students expecting to graduate on May 21, 2023 must file an application to graduate with the Registrar's Office. All degree candidates can apply online (portal. cabrini.edu) for the May 2023 cycle by following the link under More >Banner>Web Student Records and then selecting Apply for Graduation. The online graduation application has been reopened until February 17, 2023. Students applying for graduation can find additional resources at cabrini.edu/applying-for-graduation. Please note that completion and submission of the form does not represent final approval to graduate in May 2023 and should not be interpreted as a guarantee that you have completed all requirements for graduation.

Doctoral Commencement Participation

Only students who have successfully defended their dissertation and received library clearance for it are eligible to participate in the graduation ceremony.

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 Wednesday, April 19th, 2023. Instructions for completing the online session will be emailed by the Financial Aid Office. The website for exit loan completion is 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 ("Walking" in Commencement)

Students within six credits of meeting all degree requirements for graduation may petition to participate in the graduation ceremony if they 1) have enrolled in the remaining course(s) at Cabrini University in the Summer 2023 and/or Fall 2023 semester; 2) are in good academic standing at the University and within their academic department; 3) have no financial or other holds on their account; and 4) submit the online petition (forms.office.com/r/iLvixV5wYn) no later than April 1, 2023.

The petition will be evaluated by the Academic Review Board and students approved to participate in the ceremony will receive written notification through their Cabrini email account by April 15, 2023.

Please note that written permission to participate in the Commencement Ceremony (permission to walk) must be obtained before students can receive their academic attire. Students who have been granted permission to walk will have their names listed in the Commencement program with a notation indicating "degree to be awarded at a later date."

First Destination Survey (for undergraduate students only)

Graduates must complete the First Destination Survey. This survey is completed online. You must activate your Handshake account prior to Commencement Kickoff to complete the survey. Information regarding the First Destination Survey and Handshake can be found at cabrini.edu/career.

In addition, a link to complete the survey will be available on Handshake in April and emailed to you prior to Commencement Kickoff. The Center for Career and Professional Development (CCPD) is committed to serving Cabrini's alumni and it is important that we have accurate data to continue to assist you with your professional goals. Questions? Please email CCPD at career@cabrini.edu.

DISTRIBUTION OF GRADUATION MATERIALS AT COMMENCEMENT KICKOFF

Bring Student ID: Commencement Kickoff is where prospective graduates can clear any financial obligations to the University and obtain all Commencement-related materials such as academic attire. If you have lost your student ID, please bring another form of identification.

Printed Announcements: Printable graduation announcements will be available online. The link for the announcements will be forthcoming.

Commencement Tickets: Each student will receive 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 receive 4 guest tickets. NO ONE will be permitted admittance to the Commencement without a ticket. Request for additional tickets can be made at Commencement Kickoff. Additional tickets are not guaranteed and will be raffled off one week prior to graduation. The Commencement Ceremonies will be live streamed on May 21, 2023 at cabrini.edu/commencementstream



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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 as they cross the commencement stage and again, side stage. A link to download photos will be shared on cabrini.edu/commencement and across the University's social media accounts within a week of the ceremony (at no cost).

Diploma Frames: The Campus Store has a variety of special frames in a range of prices for displaying your diplomas. Frames in stock will be available for purchase at Commencement Kickoff on a first-come, first-served basis. Orders for frames also can be placed at that time, in person or by going to 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. For the convenience of graduates and their families, the Campus Store will be present at Commencement with items available for purchase.

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 March 24, 2023.

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 19, 2023. Students who have permission to walk at Commencement and who have a GPA that qualifies for honors will not be given an honors medal until all degree requirements have been successfully completed.

ACADEMIC ATTIRE: DEGREES, HOODS, AND TASSELS

Academic attire for graduation can be preordered at heff-ly/cabrini by March 14th. 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. Blue and white Cabrini cap tassels can be purchased at the Campus Store. Attire can be kept by the graduates after the ceremony. To find out which color hood you will wear, visit cabrini.edu/academicattire.

Honor cords: Honor cords for membership in specific honor societies will be distributed by the faculty advisor of that organization. Please contact them for information about your cords, if you haven't already received them. Students in the Honors Program should contact the Director for more information about Honors Program medals.

Stoles and Pins: Registered clubs who have received approval by SEaL and Academic Affairs for an official stole can order them for their members. Students should only wear one stole at Commencement. Students who are members of multiple organizations will need to choose which one stole they will wear. Club pins can also be approved to be ordered and worn during Commencement. Multiple club pins may be worn.

COMMENCEMENT INFORMATION FOR GRADUATES

Calling of Graduate Names: Names will be called at the ceremony based on those who are in attendance. We will collect name pronunciations at a date prior to the ceremony.

Diplomas: Diplomas will not be distributed at Commencement, but will be mailed approximately 6-8 weeks after Commencement.

Please make sure you fill out the Diploma Mail Form that will be emailed to you after Commencement. If you do not respond, the diploma will be mailed to the address you entered on your graduation application.

Awarded degrees are annotated immediately on the official transcript. Instructions on obtaining official transcripts are available at cabrini.edu/about/departments/registrar/request-a-transcript

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.

Handicapped Parking: Guests in wheelchairs will park in the designated spots in the Dixon Center. The request for handicapped parking will be reserved via Eventbrite when you reserve your tickets.

Disability Accommodations: Graduates who require special disability accommodations unrelated to parking for themselves or for their guests should contact Academic Affairs at <u>academicaffairs@cabrini.edu</u> by Friday, March 24, 2023. Advanced notification is especially important if a sign language interpreter is required.

Restrooms: Restroom facilities for Commencement will be available in Grace Hall and Dixon Center.

Guest Seating: Admission to the ceremonies is by ticket only. More information will be forthcoming. Each graduate will only be permitted 4 guests. The Commencement Ceremonies will be live streamed on May 21, 2023 at cabrini.edu/commencementstream.

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. We ask that no balloons be brought into the ceremony. Cell phones and related electronic equipment should be turned off during the ceremony.

Flower Sale: Give the gift of flowers and a class t-shirt on Commencement Day! All proceeds benefit the Alumni Association's Endowed Scholarship Fund. 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: thecommencementgroup.com/cabriniu.

