



## Graduation and Commencement Information

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**Graduation** | <https://sites.rowan.edu/registrar/graduation-info/index.html>

**Graduation** refers to receiving a degree when a student has been certified by the University as meeting all degree requirements. Upon approval, the degree is awarded and displays on your Rowan University transcript. Degree conferral occurs 4-6 weeks after final semester grades are posted. Diplomas are printed and mailed after the degree process is complete.

[Graduation Application Deadlines](#) are listed on the Registrar's website.

**Commencement** | <https://sites.rowan.edu/commencement/index.html>

The **Commencement** ceremony takes place each May in Glassboro. At the ceremony, family, friends, and the Rowan community celebrate each graduate's academic achievements. A university-wide celebration is held for all majors, followed by College-specific ceremonies over the commencement week.

### **Graduation and Commencement Steps**

1. Apply to Graduate
2. Confirm Participation
3. Order Cap and Gown
4. Download and Print Guest Tickets

**Commencement and Graduation Info Meetings** are held in the months leading up to Commencement. Dates and locations are listed on the [Commencement website](#).

## Graduation and Commencement Steps

### Step One: Apply to Graduate

- Check application deadlines on the [Registrar's website](#)
- Apply in **Self-Service Banner** on the **Student** tab
  - Click "Apply to Graduate"

#### *Notes:*

- You can indicate your preferred name (does not have to be a legal name) on your degree.
- Your transcript will be ready immediately (unless you have a hold) after you have been cleared to graduate. Your diploma will be mailed and takes several weeks for processing.
  - Your transcript and diploma will not be issued if you have a financial hold.

### Step Two: Confirm Participation

- To confirm your participation, visit <https://go.rowan.edu/commencementparticipation>
- **The deadline for May 2021 Commencement is March 3, 2021**
- Students may participate in Commencement within 20 credit hours of graduating
- Confirming your participation reserves your guest tickets for each ceremony

### Step Three: Purchase Cap and Gown

- Regalia will be available for purchase at the Rowan University Barnes & Noble bookstore.
- Academic merit cords are available for purchase at the Bookstore. Cords for honors societies can be obtained directly from the society. Please note that academic merit is based on Rowan University coursework only. GPA calculations for academic merit are based on completed coursework through the Winter term.
- <https://sites.rowan.edu/commencement/students/capandgown.html>

### Step Four: Download and Print Tickets

- [www.rowan.edu/commencement/tickets](http://www.rowan.edu/commencement/tickets)
- Tickets are required for guests (maximum of 2 tickets per graduate)