

COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY

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Commencement Ceremony (Bachelor's)

The commencement ceremony is held each May at the end of the spring semester to honor the current Buffalo State graduating class. Seniors should file a degree application through Self Service Banner in the anticipated term of degree completion. The Registrar posts deadlines and procedures (<https://registrar.buffalostate.edu/degreeapplication/>).

The Academic Affairs Office sends commencement ceremony information to eligible participants at their permanent addresses in late March. It is possible that seniors who submit their degree applications after the posted deadlines may not receive the mailing or have their names listed in the program. They will be able to participate in the ceremony. The commencement website (<https://commencement.buffalostate.edu>) provides ceremony details, ticketing procedures, cap and gown information, a section for families, and related events.

The commencement ceremony celebrates the recent graduates and spring degree candidates for the current academic year. A student becomes a graduate when the Registrar completes a successful degree audit and awards the degree. Diplomas are not distributed at the commencement ceremony. Diplomas are mailed to permanent addresses up to six weeks following your final term of study. Students should be sure their local and permanent addresses are up to date to avoid delay in receiving commencement information or their diplomas. The change of address form is provided on the Registrar's website (<https://registrar.buffalostate.edu/forms-and-services/>).

Refer to DOPS Policy I:21:00 (<http://bscintra.buffalostate.edu/dops/policysect1/012100.pdf>).

See Graduation Requirements, Procedures (Bachelor's) (<http://ecatalog.buffalostate.edu/undergraduate/academic-policies/graduation-requirements/>).

See Honors, Dean's Honors (<http://ecatalog.buffalostate.edu/undergraduate/academic-policies/deans-honor-list/>).