

Temple University
Petition for Non-graduates to Attend
University Commencement and/or School Graduation Ceremonies

INSTRUCTIONS

Commencement is intended to be a University-wide celebration of the completion of your degree. Following commencement, schools and colleges hold separate ceremonies to celebrate the graduation of their students. We recognize that due to extenuating circumstances, students who have not yet completed all degree requirements may wish to participate in these ceremonies. These guidelines outline the circumstances under which undergraduate students may be allowed to participate.

Students who meet the requirements listed below may receive permission to participate in commencement activities:

1. After reviewing current registration, student must be **within two courses or eight credit hours** of meeting their degree requirements; this status must be verified by the school or college.
2. **Petitions must be submitted by the University graduation application deadline for the graduation requested.** The deadlines are listed on the Registrar's website:

<http://www.temple.edu/registrar/students/graduation/index.asp>

3. Students may participate in commencement ceremonies *only once*. Students with an approved petition to participate in commencement ceremony/ies as a non-graduate forfeit their right to participate when they actually complete their degrees, even if they do not attend the ceremony for which their petition was approved.

Students who meet the criteria listed above must submit this petition to the Advising Center of their college or school.

Petitions will be reviewed for adherence to the criteria listed above; students will be notified of the decision via TUmial, and in their Advising Session Reports in TUportal.

NOTE: Tickets to the ceremony/ies for guests will be assigned on a space-available basis.

Temple University Petition for Non-graduates to Participate in Commencement Ceremonies

Name: _____ TU ID: _____

Local Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____@temple.edu

Please check the ceremony/ies you are petitioning to attend **and list your remaining academic requirements below.**

University Commencement and College/School Graduation (list year): May _____ OR

College/School Graduation Ceremony for (list year and check one): Year _____ August January

(Please note that not all colleges/schools hold ceremonies in August and/or January – check with your college/school.)

I understand that if I receive permission to participate in Temple University Commencement activities, even though I have not completed one or more of the requirements necessary to graduate, I will NOT officially graduate until I resolve/complete all outstanding requirements.

I understand that inclusion on a future graduation list is not automatic and that I will submit a graduation application for the upcoming semester based on the deadlines required by my college or school. I further understand that my graduation date will NOT be retroactive and will correspond to the upcoming semester in which I successfully complete all outstanding requirements and have applied for graduation.

I understand that it is my responsibility to inform my employer that I have not graduated if my employment is contingent upon conferral of my degree.

I understand that if approved to attend my College/School Commencement Ceremony prior to my actual graduation, I forfeit my right to attend a future College/School Ceremony when I complete my degree requirements.

I understand that my name may not appear in either the University or College/School Commencement Books and that I will NOT receive a diploma at this time.

Student's signature

Date

Approved

Denied

Dean or Dean's Designee's signature

Date