

# Commencement 2025

## At-a-glance information

### UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS

#### ORDER YOUR CAP AND GOWN

- Graduates **must** order academic apparel online at Herff Jones [colleges.herffjones.com/college/\\_marquette](https://colleges.herffjones.com/college/_marquette) by **Saturday, April 5**.
- You are required to schedule an appointment via SignUpGenius to pick up your apparel on campus on one of the dates below. The SignUpGenius link will be available on the [Students tab of the Commencement website](#) at the start of the spring semester.
- You **must** have your Herff Jones order confirmation, printed out or on your phone, to pick up your cap and gown.

#### CAP AND GOWN PICKUP

**Tuesday, May 6** | **Wednesday, May 7**  
10 a.m. – 6 p.m. | 10 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Alumni Memorial Union, Monaghan Ballroom, Third Floor

- There is no charge to the graduate for academic apparel, and pickup only takes a few minutes. If the graduate cannot pick up their own apparel, a friend or a relative may come in their place.
- Undergraduates may retain or recycle their “Renew” cap and gown. These keepsake gowns are produced from recycled post-consumer plastic bottles.

#### RECEPTION CELEBRATING THE CLASS OF 2024

Friday, May 9 | 5 – 6:30 p.m.  
Ray and Kay Eckstein Common (the outdoor gathering space east of the Alumni Memorial Union)  
1442 West Wisconsin Avenue

Hosted by President Kimo Ah Yun and the Marquette University Jesuit Community.

Graduates, their families, faculty, staff and the entire campus community are welcome to attend.

No RSVP required.

*Rain Site location: Alumni Memorial Union, Monaghan Ballroom, Third Floor*

#### BACCALAUREATE MASS

Saturday, May 10 | *Time to be announced (1.5-hour ceremony)*  
Al McGuire Center  
770 North 12th Street

Concelebrated Mass. Tickets are not needed. Seats are available on a first-come, first-served basis. Families and friends are welcome to attend. Faculty and graduates are invited to process in wearing their academic regalia (no caps for graduates). For additional information, please contact Campus Ministry at 414.288.6873 or [campusministry@marquette.edu](mailto:campusministry@marquette.edu).

#### COMMENCEMENT – UNDERGRADUATE

Saturday, May 10 **or** Sunday, May 11 | *Date and time to be announced (2.5-hour ceremony)*  
Fiserv Forum  
1111 Vel R. Phillips Avenue

**Ceremony will be livestreamed for family and friends who are not able to attend in person.**  
**USE QR CODE ON PAGE 2 to view the livestream at [marquette.edu/commencement](https://marquette.edu/commencement).**

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### INSTRUCTIONS FOR UNDERGRADUATE CANDIDATES

- Doors will open 2 hours before ceremony.
- Wear your academic apparel. Undergraduates may retain or recycle their “Renew” cap and gown.
- Parking – please refer to the parking information below (same instructions for students and guests).
- **ARTS & SCIENCES CANDIDATES** – Enter at the **Johnson Controls Entrance** (student basketball entrance, located at the corner of North Sixth Street and Juneau Avenue).
- **ALL OTHER CANDIDATES FOR COMMENCEMENT** – Enter at the **BMO North and East entrances** (located on the corner of Juneau and Vel R. Phillips avenues). [USE QR CODE TO LINK](#) to Commencement website and refer to **1A and 1B on the Fiserv Forum campus map**.
- **BRING YOUR MUID** to gain access through the student-only entrances. If you do not have your ID, it will delay your entry.
- **ARRIVE EARLY** to allow time to go through metal detection upon entry. See Security and Bag Policy below. Items not allowed cannot be carried in.
- Proceed upstairs to the [Jockey Club](#) to check in with your college and receive your name card (graduates will hand their name card to the column marshal before crossing the stage).
- After receiving your name card, you will be directed into the arena, where column marshals will usher graduates to their designated seating area. Graduates will be seated by college.
- **PLAN YOUR TIME ACCORDINGLY** – Graduates are expected to be seated inside the arena 15 minutes prior to the start of the ceremony. It will take some time to go through security, check in to receive your name card, and be seated by a column marshal within your college. Column marshals will hold back any late arrivals until there is an opportune time during the ceremony to seat them.
- Graduates will be individually recognized during the program.

### PHOTOGRAPHER

- A GradImages photographer will take pictures as each graduate crosses the stage. GradImages will send purchase options directly to the graduate via email a few weeks following Commencement.
- Photos will also be available on the GradImages website at [gradimages.com/Home/Search](https://gradimages.com/Home/Search).



Please continue to watch your email and visit **our website** for updated Commencement information.

For questions, please contact University Special Events at 414.288.7431 or [universityspecialevents@marquette.edu](mailto:universityspecialevents@marquette.edu).

### PARENT/GUEST/SPECIAL NEEDS INFORMATION

- Doors will open 2 hours before ceremony.
- Seating is first come, first served.
- **Tickets are general admission only** (i.e., not assigned). Section, row and seat numbers on tickets DO NOT APPLY.
- Parents/guests enter at the **Atrium** of Fiserv Forum, located on the east side of the building next to the Plaza. [USE QR CODE TO LINK](#) to Commencement website and refer to **#6 on the Fiserv Forum campus map**.
- Parking – please refer to the parking information below (same instructions for graduates and guests).
- **ALLOW PLENTY OF TIME** to go through metal detection upon entry. See Security and Bag Policy below. Items not allowed cannot be carried in.
- Guests with special needs: The drop-off area is located along Juneau Avenue and Vel R. Phillips Avenue near the BMO Entrance at the northeast entrance of the building. There are 7 guest elevators throughout Fiserv Forum located in the northeast corner (by Section 120), southeast corner (by Section 102), and northwest corner (by Section 113). There are plenty of ADA platforms located throughout the arena.
- Guests needing sight lines to ASL interpreters: Seats will be designated in Section 107 for those needing direct sight lines to the ASL interpreters set near the stage. Ushers will be able to direct you to Section 107 and the reserved seats.

### TICKETS REQUIRED FOR PARENTS/GUESTS

- All tickets will be sent to the graduate via the Marquette Gameday app.
- All tickets will be electronically scanned to verify authenticity. PLEASE HAVE YOUR TICKETS READY TO SCAN on your mobile device when you arrive. Tickets that have been scanned upon entry cannot be reused by another guest. Screenshots of tickets are not permissible.
- **Tickets are general admission only** (i.e., not assigned). Section, row and seat numbers on tickets DO NOT APPLY.
- For ease of access throughout Fiserv Forum, all guests are encouraged to transfer tickets to each member of their party prior to entering the building. Please reference the Bucks Mobile Ticketing Guide for further instruction and FAQs: [nba.com/bucks/mobile-tickets](http://nba.com/bucks/mobile-tickets)
- Children under 2 are not required to have their own ticket if they are sitting on the lap of a ticketed adult.
- Seating will be first come, first served.
- [USE QR CODE TO LINK](#) to Commencement website for additional ticket information and FAQs.

### DRIVING

- [USE QR CODE TO LINK](#) to Commencement website and refer to map and directions to Fiserv Forum.

### PARKING

Parking near Fiserv Forum is available in the Fifth Street Parking Structure located at 1215 North Fifth Street or in the Highland Garage located at 1030 North Sixth Street. It is highly recommended to prepay for parking in either structure by going to the links posted on the Commencement website. Links will be activated in the spring semester.

[USE QR CODE TO LINK](#) to Commencement website.

For additional parking options, visit [fiservforum.com/plan-your-visit/directions-parking](http://fiservforum.com/plan-your-visit/directions-parking).

### CONCESSIONS

Concessions will be sold in the arena's 100- and 200-level concourses. Limited menu (bottled water, soft drinks, individual bags of snack items).

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### SECURITY AND BAG POLICY

There is a NO BAG policy at Fiserv Forum. Wallets smaller than 4x6x1 inches are permitted. Exceptions to this policy are diaper bags and bags needed due to medical necessity, which will need to be X-rayed by security. **PLEASE PLAN YOUR ARRIVAL TIME ACCORDINGLY.**

### PROHIBITED ITEMS

- Silly string is prohibited in Fiserv Forum, because of the damage it causes to surfaces and equipment. Confetti, balloons, large banners or flags, and signs over 11x17 inches are also prohibited. Prohibited items will be confiscated at the door.
- **USE QR CODE TO LINK** to Commencement website for a list of all other prohibited items.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### To order custom-printed graduation announcements:

##### Herff Jones

[colleges.herffjones.com/college/\\_marquette](https://colleges.herffjones.com/college/_marquette)

Customer Service: 800.837.4235

##### Jostens

[jostens.com/graduation/college/announcements](https://jostens.com/graduation/college/announcements)

Customer Service: 800.854.7464

### HOTELS

For a list of hotels in the downtown area, **USE QR CODE TO LINK** to Commencement website and refer to Hotels tab.

### FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

#### Commencement or Academic Apparel

University Special Events

414.288.7431

[universitiespecialevents@marquette.edu](mailto:universitiespecialevents@marquette.edu)

#### Diplomas, Application for Graduation

Marquette Central

414.288.4000

[marquettecentral@marquette.edu](mailto:marquettecentral@marquette.edu)

#### Baccalaureate Mass

Campus Ministry

414.288.6873

[campusministry@marquette.edu](mailto:campusministry@marquette.edu)

#### General Information

800.222.6544 or 414.288.7250

For additional Commencement information, visit our website at [marquette.edu/commencement](https://marquette.edu/commencement).

**CONGRATULATIONS TO THE GRADUATES. WELCOME TO FAMILIES, FRIENDS AND ALUMNI!**