



Get the Facts

Graduation

At DePaul University there are two different components to graduation: Degree Conferral and Commencement. Degree conferral is the awarding of the degrees at the end of each term (required) and the Commencement Ceremony is held once a year in June (optional). Each component requires an application.

Degree Conferral

The awarding of a degree is not automatic. You must submit an application to be considered for the degree. DePaul awards and posts degrees at the end of each regular academic term (autumn, winter, spring, summer I and summer II). It is your responsibility to initiate the degree conferral application process by submitting an online application.

Submitting a degree conferral application means that you intend to finish your degree requirements by the end of the term for which you have applied. After submitting the application, registration is prohibited for all terms following the term selected in the application.

Fall quarter – October 1st
Winter quarter – January 15th
Spring quarter – February 1st
Summer I quarter – June 1st
Summer II quarter – July 15th

To apply for degree conferral online log on to [Campus Connection](#). Select FOR STUDENTS, then GRADUATION, then APPLY FOR DEGREE CONFERRAL. On screen instructions will take you through the application process.

Provided that all requirements and financial obligations are met, degrees are posted 30 days after the official end of the term. Official dates are listed on the [Academic Calendar](#).

Undergraduate students must be approved for student teaching and complete student teaching and capstone (or internship) to be cleared for the degree. Graduate students are eligible for degree conferral when all degree requirements are completed (degree requirements vary by program - check with your advisor).

Ultimately, it is your responsibility to ensure that all degree requirements are complete. You should maintain regular communication with your assigned academic advisors concerning the completion of degree requirements.

All degree requirements must be complete by the degree conferral date, including the resolution of all incomplete (IN), missing (M), and continuing research (R) grades. Papers are due to faculty advisors far in advance of the degree posting date. Individuals transferring courses must submit official transcripts by the last date of the quarter. Make sure you submit documents on time or you will not be eligible for degree conferral until the next posting date.

Commencement

DePaul holds one [commencement ceremony](#) each year in June. If you intend to participate in the June ceremony you must complete a separate Commencement Ceremony Application in addition to the Degree Conferral Application. To verify completion of all requirements and to have time to print the Commencement Program, we must have your application for the ceremony well in advance.

The deadline for ordering caps and gowns is April 15th. Order at <http://www.herffjones.com/college/depaul/>

Graduate students must complete all courses and all other program requirements such as student teaching, internship, papers, or thesis to be eligible to participate in the commencement ceremony. Honors are not announced at the ceremony for undergraduates completing their final courses in spring quarter because a final gpa is not determined at the time of the ceremony.

Additional information about diplomas, transcripts, honors convocation, and distinction is available on the College of Education website.

