

Arts & Sciences Spring 2023 Graduate Diploma Ceremony Instructions

Date: Saturday, May 13, 2023

Time: 11:45 a.m.

Location: Great Room, Edward J. Pryzbyla University Center

All students who graduated during the 2022-2023 academic year are welcome to attend the Graduate Arts and Sciences Diploma Ceremony. (**RSVP's are not required**, since your name will be read to acknowledge your achievement even if you are not able to be in attendance.)

Immediately after the conclusion of the Commencement Exercises on the University Mall, graduates should report to the third floor of the Edward J. Pryzbyla University Center. If you will not be participating in the Commencement Exercises on the University Mall, please report to the third floor of the Edward J. Pryzbyla University Center by 11:15 a.m. We will have faculty there to assemble you for the procession in the long glass-walled hallway, that looks out over the lawn, behind the Great Room. You will then process into the room and take your seats. Faculty marshals will help to organize you into position by department.

During the diploma ceremony, each department will be called to the front separately. You and your cohort will be called to assemble to the left of the stage. Then, your names will be announced one by one to walk across the stage. May 2023 graduates will receive their diplomas at this time; August 2022 and January 2023 graduates have already received their diplomas in the mail, but they will still walk across the stage when their names are called.

Official photography for the event will be done by Classic Photography and Imaging. You will have a chance to purchase photographs from the event afterwards. Attached is a card with information.

Tickets for guests are not required for the ceremony. Seating is available on a first-come, first-served basis, although seating will be reserved for those needing special accommodations (There will be a reserved section available on the right side facing the stage).

Academic regalia (cap, gown, and hood) is required for all students who attend the University's Commencement Exercises. **Students who choose to attend only the Graduate Arts and**

Sciences Diploma Ceremony are not required to wear regalia. In these cases, we ask students to dress for the occasion (semi-formal attire).

Students are encouraged to check with their departments or programs to see if a reception will be held after the ceremony.

For details concerning **parking**, please refer to the instructions and map provided on the commencement website: https://commencement.catholic.edu/parking

Please visit the University's Commencement website for additional details concerning Commencement Day: https://commencement.catholic.edu