

Commencement 2023

Frequently Asked Questions Graduate Students

WHAT DAY IS COMMENCEMENT? Sunday, May 28, 2023

WHAT TIME DOES COMMENCEMENT START?

Graduate students are asked to report to Waterman Street by 9:00 a.m. Lineup begins at Faunce Arch, facing west, on the north side of Waterman Street. Academic regalia is required to participate in the procession and the Graduate School ceremonies. Graduate students will march through the Van Wickle Gates and take an immediate right onto Prospect Street and right again on Waterman Street. They will take a left onto Thayer Street and process to Meehan Auditorium (master's students) or Pembroke Field (doctoral students) for their ceremonies. After the ceremonies end, the graduate students return to the College Green for the University ceremony which will begin at approximately 1:15 p.m.

HOW DO I WEAR MY REGALIA?

Try on your regalia prior to Commencement to make sure you have received the correct items and they fit correctly.

Doctoral students: Carry the doctoral hood over your left arm; you will be hooded at the ceremony. The tassel for the tam goes on your left. **Master's students:** Wear your hood to the ceremony. The tassel for the cap goes on your left.

WHERE AND WHAT TIME DOES THE GRADUATE SCHOOL CEREMONY BEGIN?

The Doctoral and Master's Ceremony will begin at approximately 10:30 am. After the graduate students pass through the Van Wickle Gates, master's students will proceed to Meehan Auditorium and doctoral students will proceed to Pembroke Field.

WHAT TIME WILL THE GRADUATE SCHOOL CEREMONY END?

The ceremony runs approximately 2 hours.

WHERE AND WHAT TIME DOES THE UNIVERSITY CEREMONY BEGIN?

The University Ceremony begins around 1:15 p.m. on the Main Green and is optional for graduate students and their families. The honorary degrees are awarded here.

IS THERE A LIMIT TO HOW MANY TICKETS I CAN GET?

Tickets are not required for the main University ceremony or the doctoral ceremony. The master's ceremony in Meehan Auditorium is ticketed and each student may reserve up to three tickets for guests and can select tickets and share them with their guests through Marching Order <https://brown.marchingorder.com/#/> as part of the registration process. Both the Commencement Procession and Master's Ceremony will be available to view via livestream.

CAMPUS ACCESSIBILITY

Please contact SAS (Student Accessibility Services) shuttle dispatcher at 401-225-9572 in advance to make arrangements for shuttle transportation. SAS can also assist with other arrangements throughout Commencement Weekend. Please visit commencement.brown.edu/plan/accessibility for additional accessibility information or call SAS at 401-863-9588.

For additional information, please visit: commencement.brown.edu

SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING EVENTS:

- Friday, May 26, 4:30 - 6 p.m.** Back to Brown Engineering Alumni Reception, Hazeltine Commons, ERC.
- Saturday, May 27, 9:00 a.m.** Sc.M./BME/DECES Engineering Brunch, Omni Hotel Providence. *By invitation.*
- Saturday, May 27, 9:30 a.m.** MADE and PRIME Brunch, Omni Hotel Providence. *By invitation.*
- Saturday, May 27, 6:00 p.m.** Engineering awards dinner and presentation of Ph.D. hoods, Alumnae Hall. *By invitation.*