

Frequently Asked Questions for Graduating Students

When and where is the 2023 commencement ceremony?

Peirce College's 2023 Commencement will be held on Friday, June 9, 2023.

This year's Commencement will feature two ceremonies - one at 12 p.m. and one at 3:30 p.m. at the Suzanne Roberts Theater, located at 480 S. Broad Street, Philadelphia. Live streaming options will also be available for those who are unable or who would prefer not to attend in person. For updated information regarding the commencement ceremony, please login to your [OneLogin](#) account, click on the My.Peirce app, and click on the My Classes tab or visit <http://www.peirce.edu/Current/Graduation/Default>.

The 12 p.m. Ceremony will include the following divisions:

Business Department (Accounting, Business Administration, Client Services/Customer Service, Human Resource Management, Leadership Development, Integrated Leadership/Organizational Leadership & Management, Project Management Administration, Quality Service Management, & Supply Chain Management and Logistics)

Legal Studies Department (Criminal Justice Studies & Paralegal Studies)

Information Technology Department (Cloud Computing, Cybersecurity, Information Technology, IT Support, & Technology Management)

The 3:30 p.m. Ceremony will include the following divisions:

Health Programs Department (Healthcare Administration, Health Information Administration, Health Information Technology, Human Services Leadership, Medical Billing, Medical Coding, & Public Health Administration)

General Education Department (General Studies & Liberal Studies)

Graduate Studies/Masters Division (Healthcare Administration, Higher Education Leadership, Organizational Leadership and Management, Nonprofit Leadership)

*Please note that students receiving 2 different degrees should purchase regalia for the highest degree earned and should attend the ceremony for that degree. Both degrees earned will be mentioned during the ceremony.

Am I eligible to participate in the June Graduation Ceremony?

Students must complete all degree requirements, graduate students must have a 3.0 or higher career GPA and undergraduate students must have a 2.0 or higher career GPA, and fulfill all financial obligations by May 1, 2023 to be eligible to participate in the June commencement ceremony.

If I do not plan on participating in the commencement ceremony, am I required to pay the graduation fee?

All students who apply for graduation must pay the graduation fee of \$75.00 even if they do not intend to participate in the ceremony. This fee does not include the cost of the cap and gown for the commencement ceremony.

How many tickets will I receive for graduation?

Based on the number of graduates who have responded to the Commencement Ceremony survey, each graduate will receive three (3) **tickets for their guests**. If additional tickets are available we will let you know and provide you opportunity to request an additional ticket. **A ticket request form will be emailed to the graduates within the next couple of weeks asking you to confirm your participation and to request tickets for your guests. Please note you will not be able to request your tickets until all financial obligations have been met.**

When can I order my cap and gown?

You may purchase your cap, gown, and hood from Herff Jones by going to the site listed below. The directions are attached. Cap and gowns are on sale **NOW**. Caps and gowns must be purchased no later than **May 9, 2023**. <https://herff.ly/peirce>

The cost of the gown and hood is as follows:

Associate/Undergraduate Certificate: cap, gown, tassel, and hood: \$56 plus tax and shipping

Paralegal Studies Post-Baccalaureate Certificate/Graduate Certificate: cap, gown, & tassel (no hood- students should wear the hood from their previously completed highest degree): \$34 plus tax and shipping

Bachelor: cap, gown, tassel, and hood: \$57 plus tax and shipping

Master: cap, gown, tassel, and hood: \$62 plus tax and shipping

What cumulative GPA do I need to earn for the designation of graduation honors?

Special recognition is granted at commencement to degree students (associate and bachelor's degrees only) who maintained a high cumulative GPA at completion of their studies at Peirce College as follows:

Cumulative Grade Point Average

3.95-4.0

3.850-3.949

3.700-3.849

Honors

summa cum laude

magna cum laude

cum laude

When will I receive my graduation honor cords?

Graduation honor cords will be given to eligible students the day of the commencement ceremony before the start of the program. Upon request, eligible students not participating in commencement can request their honor cords through the Office of the Registrar. To make this request, please contact the Office of the Registrar at 215-670-9380 or info@peirce.edu.

For Lambda Epsilon Chi (LEX) members wishing to purchase a stole (**not required**) please visit, the AFFfPE website: https://www.aafpe.org/assets/LEX_GraduationSashOrderForm_2018-04_pub_0001.pdf

For Delta Mu Delta members wishing to purchase an honor sash (**not required**) please visit the Delta Mu Delta website: <http://deltamudelta.org/shop-dmd-e-stores/>

Where can I have my senior portrait taken?

Students may contact Lifetouch at 800-687-9327 to schedule an individual appointment in their Bensalem studio located at 3580 Progress Drive, Suite G, Bensalem, PA 19020. Please note if you wish to get pictures taken in your cap and gown you will need to bring that with you. Lifetouch will not have any Peirce graduation regalia on hand.

How can I purchase rings, diploma frames, and announcements?

You may also purchase rings, diploma frames, and announcements through the Herff Jones website at <http://colleges.herffjones.com/college/peirce/>.

How can I obtain an official document to verify my degree?

You may order an official transcript by visiting my.peirce.edu and clicking on the link under the Transcript Request portlet on the Homepage. If you have any concerns, please contact the Office of the Registrar at 215-670-9380.

Will my diploma list my concentration/track?

Concentrations are only listed on transcripts. The diploma will indicate your major only.

Will my diploma indicate that I have been awarded a graduation honor?

Graduation honors are printed on the diploma. Master's and Certificate programs **do not** qualify for graduation honors.

Where can I find additional information regarding specific commencement procedures?

Please login to your [Onelogin](#) account, click on the My.Peirce app, and click on the My Classes tab or visit <http://www.peirce.edu/Current/Graduation/Default> for updates and additional information on Graduation. Materials posted on this website will be updated periodically. For questions, email commencement@peirce.edu.