

Commencement Checklist: Creating a Smooth Path to Graduation Day!

Step #1: RSVP by May 1st - If we don't hear from you, we will not save a place for you!

RSVP online at the commencement website (link below) or return the enclosed RSVP form by Friday, May 1st. **Please include your Student ID number.** Please do not RSVP to your advisor, faculty member, or by telephone. You must RSVP to OSU-Cascades if you wish to participate in the OSU-Cascades ceremony.

Step #2: Meet with your Advisor

Verify your graduation status and follow up on any further actions that your advisor suggests.

Step #3: Order Your Regalia

All candidates are required to wear traditional regalia. You may purchase regalia at the COCC Bookstore starting May 1. The gowns of all students will be black, but your tassel color depends on the University you are graduating from. Make sure you tell the COCC Bookstore what University (UO or OSU) and if you are graduating at the Bachelor's or Master's level. A price list is enclosed. If you are graduating with honors from OSU, an honor cord will be provided for you the day of the ceremony. UO graduates do not traditionally wear honor cords. If you are graduating with your Masters degree, hoods will be available at the bookstore on May 26th.

Step #4: Order Announcements (optional)

Specially made announcements which encompass both OSU and UO commencement at OSU-Cascades, are available for purchase at the COCC Bookstore starting May 1. A price sheet is enclosed. UO students may also order invitations directly from the UO bookstore. OSU students can purchase invitations online through jostens.com (be sure to select the language created for the Bend ceremony).

Step #5: Confirm with OSU-Cascades

If you send in your RSVP, you should receive a second mailing in May that will include further information on the ceremony, including parking and where degree candidates are to meet. If you get this mailing, you are confirmed to participate. If you do not receive the second mailing by the end of May, please email commencement@osucascades.edu or contact Enrollment Services.

Step #6 June 13th - Graduation Day!

All candidates should report in cap and gown, ready to walk, promptly at 1:00 PM. Staff will give you instructions and place you in the correct order. Maintain exact order in line or you risk receiving the wrong diploma!

Accommodation requests related to a disability may be made by calling Enrollment Services at 541.322.3100 in advance of the event.

▶▶▶ Stay informed! Check the OSU-Cascades website for additional and updated information at www.osucascades.edu/about/commencement/.