

Request for Summer Graduate to Participate in Spring Commencement Ceremony

Graduate Studies | University of Nebraska at Omaha



INSTRUCTIONS

- Please complete this form, obtain all required departmental or program signatures, and then submit the form to gradschool@unomaha.edu
- You do not need to collect the Graduate Studies signature before submitting—the Graduate Studies signature will be added once the form is approved
- If you use DocuSign or another electronic signing service, please send the final completed form as a PDF. **Do not send DocuSign invitations to gradschool@unomaha.edu**

Student Name _____

NUID _____ Department/School _____

Degree _____

March 6, 2026 is the deadline to submit this form if you wish to have this request considered for May 2026. Requests made after this date will not be accepted.

Although degrees are conferred in summer, UNO does not hold a summer commencement ceremony. Students completing their degree requirements for the summer graduation deadline will be celebrated during the December ceremony. On rare occasion, students may have an extenuating circumstance that warrants a request for a summer graduate to participate in the spring ceremony, prior to degree requirements being complete. If you believe that you have a valid extenuating circumstance that requires consideration, submit this completed form to the Office of Graduate Studies for review by the deadline. All requests must include the following:

- Scheduled defense date and/or committee meeting date. If not yet scheduled/not required for your program, provide complete details on progress toward degree.
- Justification of extenuating circumstances that requires participation in commencement before degree requirements are complete **(circumstances of convenience such as weather or visitor travel are not considered valid and will not be approved):**

Submission of this form does not grant automatic approval to participate in spring commencement. If your request is approved by the Office of Graduate Studies, you will be notified by email by March 27, 2026.

Prior to submission of this form to the Office of Graduate Studies, I certify that I have submitted my Summer Application for Degree via MavLINK. _____ (STUDENT INITIALS)

I verify that this student has made sufficient progress toward their degree. By signing this form, I certify that the student will successfully complete all outstanding requirements by the deadlines set for summer graduation:

Signature, Advisor _____ Date _____

Signature, Graduate Program Chair _____ Date _____

Signature, Graduate Studies Representative _____ Date _____