

Eligibility to Participate in SPH Spring 2020 Commencement

You are eligible to participate if:

- you are a spring 2020 graduate who
 - Filed an intent to graduate for the spring 2020 term and
 - RSVP'd for the ceremony.

You are not eligible to participate if:

- you graduated prior to the spring 2020 academic term.
- you are planning to graduate after the spring 2020 term

Exceptions:

- Summer 2019 and Fall 2019 graduates who missed the fall ceremony and now wish to participate in the spring ceremony, may request an exception by contacting: Linda Johnson, Associate Director of Records and Registration at ljohnson@uic.edu
- Summer 2020 graduates may request an exception to participate. Please read the requirements for eligibility below.

Summer 2020 graduates eligibility to participate.

Students who will graduate in the summer term following a commencement ceremony may participate in that year's commencement under the following conditions:

- 1) The student must be in good academic standing.
- 2) **The Student must notify their academic coordinator of their request to participate in commencement by March 28, 2020.** If permission is received, the student must RSVP to participate.
- 3) The student must be able to complete their coursework and all other degree requirements by the end of the summer term. This must be evidenced by the academic division's documentation of student progress based on the program proposal, course history, and current registration.
- 4) If the student's degree requires a thesis or dissertation, the student must receive written approval from their committee chair, stating that the student is on target and scheduled to defend by June 1st of the year.
- 5) Summer graduate names will not appear in the ceremony program's list of graduates until the Spring Commencement Ceremony following their official term of graduation. Students may request a copy of the following year's program through the Office of Student Affairs, while supplies last.

Please note: Participation in commencement ceremonies does not imply that a student has graduated and earned the degree. Students are not awarded a degree until all degree requirements are met and certified by SPH administration.