



Graduate FAQ

for Summer and Fall 2024 Graduates for Spring 2025 Commencement

All 2024-25 graduates will be invited to attend the Spring commencement ceremonies scheduled for Spring 2025 (see below). This includes those students finishing their degrees in Summer 2024, Fall 2024, Winter 2025, and Spring 2025.

We are invested in making sure this is a quality experience for all graduates and want to acknowledge their hard work in obtaining a University of Baltimore degree.

Spring 2025 Commencement Ceremonies

Wednesday, May 21, 2025

10 a.m.- Graduate Ceremony

2 p.m.- Undergraduate Ceremony

In addition to the Spring Commencement Ceremony, all Summer and Fall 2024 graduates will be invited to attend Grad Fest on Thursday, December 5, 2024 between 4-7 p.m. (students can attend at any point during this time). Grad Fest is a celebration of graduates that is held each semester that includes food, giveaways, graduate photos from GradImages (cap and gown supplied for the photos), as well as tabling from the regalia vendor and various campus departments. Sign up on Bee Involved as soon as registration opens. Walk ups welcome if spots allow.

Rosenberg Center for Student Engagement and Inclusion

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If I graduate in Summer or Fall, when will I receive my diploma?

Students must apply through their student portal to graduate (receive a diploma) for the term they have completed their program requirements. The deadlines are established by Records and Registration, which are listed in the academic calendar. Please visit [here](#) for more information. Following degree validation by the Office of Records and Registration, summer and fall graduates will receive their diplomas as usual. After final grades are posted, your degrees will be conferred for those students who meet graduation requirements and have their advisors/program directors approve their graduation. Diplomas will be mailed to your local address on record approximately 8-12 weeks following the end of the semester in which you completed your program requirements and after all final grades are entered. Diplomas are not ordered for students with outstanding balances on their accounts. You do not have to attend a commencement ceremony to receive your degree. Please see the Office of Records and Registration (records@ubalt.edu) for any questions related to the receipt of your degree.

What is the difference between Commencement and Graduation?

Commencement specifically refers to the ceremony, planned by the Center for Student Engagement and Inclusion, where students can share the joy and excitement of their academic accomplishment with peers, family and friends. It is also a time for the university, president, deans, faculty, and staff to appreciate students for their outstanding efforts in completing their degree requirements. Participation in the commencement ceremony is not a guarantee of degree completion and official degrees are not awarded as a part of the commencement ceremony.

Graduation is the process of submitting an online application that confirms all academic requirements for your degree and financial obligations to the institution have been completed. The Office of Records and Registration oversees this process. To officially graduate from UBalt, you must apply for graduation by the posted deadline. When will I get information about Spring 2025 Commencement?

All eligible graduates will receive information about the Spring 2025 commencement ceremony in early February 2025, and will receive ongoing communication about important dates and deadlines.

What if I have additional questions?

- Visit ubalt.edu/commencement for all deadlines and information.
- Find key contacts for all commencement related items [here](#).
- If you have any additional questions, please [visit this link](#), e-mail engagement@ubalt.edu or call 410.837.5417.