



Petition for Commencement Participation

Name _____ ID Number _____

Program _____ Email _____

Defense or Project Completion Date _____ Degree _____

Graduate students who do not meet the submission deadlines for May graduation but have successfully defended their thesis/dissertation or completed their project before April 30th will be eligible to participate in Commencement. These students will receive their degrees in August and must comply with all August graduation procedures and deadlines.

This petition must be submitted to the School of Graduate Studies no later than March 20th to ensure students can be entered into the Commencement database, can register online for the ceremony (**a separate process that must be completed by the student by April 1**), and will be able to purchase regalia and receive Commencement tickets. PhD students are also required to submit the Notification for Scheduling the Final Oral Exam with this petition. Names of students who participate in Commencement through this petition will not appear in this year's Commencement book and will instead appear in next year's publication.

The department acknowledges their expectation that the student will successfully defend or complete their project before April 30th and agrees to notify the School of Graduate Studies if this does not occur.

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Signatures

Student _____ Date _____

Advisor _____ Date _____

Department Chair _____ Date _____

School of Graduate Studies _____ Date _____