

Cabrini Commencement 2024 Ticket and General Information

We have an exciting update to tickets. Previously we indicated that graduates would receive 4 tickets. Now graduates will be able to receive 6 tickets for the Nerney Field House. As such, there will not be an on-campus ticketed livestreaming location, but free livestreaming will still be available to watch from home.

To get your tickets, you will need to RSVP via a link that will be sent to your Cabrini email before the end of April. You will be able to order up to 6 general admission tickets and 2 parking passes (if your guests are able to come in 1 vehicle, that will help with the flow of traffic).

Tickets should be printed so that we can easily scan them at the door. Each person needs a printed ticket to enter, so if your entire party of 6 isn't entering together, please ensure each person has a printed ticket with their unique QR code to get in the door.

Information for Guests/Friends/Family:

Undergraduate Ceremony:

8:30am – Doors Open
(Nerney Field House)
9:30am- Ceremony begins
10:45am – Approximate conclusion
of ceremony
11:15am – Must exit Cabrini property

Graduate Ceremony:

12:00pm – Doors Open
(Nerney Field House)
1:00pm – Ceremony begins
2:15pm – Approximate conclusion of
ceremony
2:45pm – Must exit Cabrini property

*We ask that you do not arrive to campus earlier than 15 mins prior to when doors open or stay longer than 30 minutes beyond the end of your ceremony to provide easy access to parking for all guests throughout the day.

*Admission to the ceremonies is by ticket only. **TICKETS MUST BE PRINTED.** Every guest – including children and babies – must have a ticket. **No one will be admitted without a ticket. No one will be allowed on campus without a parking pass on the dashboard.**

Persons with Disability Parking and Seating: Guests who need Accessible Parking will park in the designated spots in the Dixon Center. Guests who need seating to

accommodate a wheelchair should enter Dixon through the accessible door that is closest to the pool (there will be signage). A volunteer will help to guide you to a section of seating reserved to accommodate wheelchairs.

***Re-entry to the venue** – If guests need to leave the venue for any reason, they must exit via the door by the swimming pool and obtain a ticket/stamp for re-entry through that door only (not through the main door). Guest tickets can only be scanned once for entry. If you share your ticket with another guest and it has already been scanned, it will not work and the guest will not be permitted to enter.

***Bag Policy** - Only clutch purses and/or fanny packs (no larger than 5" x 7"), clear bags (no larger than 12" x 6" x 12"), medical bags and diaper bags will be allowed. We encourage you to leave belongings locked in your cars during the ceremony.

***Balloons and Strollers** are not permitted inside the Nerney Field House.

***The bookstore** will be set up outside of Grace Hall for purchases. Flowers and a class shirt will also be available for purchase – you can preorder at www.thecommcementgroup.com/cabriniu/

***Livestreaming** will be available for loved ones to stream the ceremony from home. Cabrini.edu/commencement

***Professional photos** that are taken during the ceremony will be available for free download at cabrini.edu/photos in the week following graduation. The photos and digital program will be available for download for a month following the ceremony.

*We ask that you do not stand and block others' view during the ceremony. Professional photos will be taken of all graduates as they cross the stage and will be made available for free, so there is no need to get closer to the stage to take pictures. We invite you to take photos on our beautiful grounds for 30 mins following your ceremony.

Information for Graduating Students:

Undergraduate Ceremony:

8:45am – Check in at Grace Hall
(Enter on the side facing Dixon)
9:00am – Group Photo
9:15am – Procession from Grace to Dixon**
9:30am- Ceremony begins
10:45am – Approximate conclusion
of ceremony
11:15am – Must exit Cabrini property

**If you arrive at 9:20 or later, please go to the Dixon Center to join your fellow graduates.

Graduate Ceremony:

12:15pm – Check in at Grace Hall
(Enter on the side facing Dixon)
12:30 pm – Group Photo
12:45pm – Procession**
1:00pm – Ceremony begins
2:15pm – Approximate conclusion of
ceremony
2:45pm – Must exit Cabrini property

**If you arrive at 12:50pm or later, please go to the Dixon Center to join your fellow graduates.

*It is important for you to continue to check your Cabrini email as it is where we will send updates about Commencement. Please also check cabrini.edu/commencement.

Checking In and Preparing for the Ceremony– Grace Hall

If there is heavy rain forecasted for commencement day, we will shift your robing area to the workout area on the 2nd floor of the Nerney Pavilion and omit the group photo. If we decide to make this change, we will email students and post to the website.

You should arrive to Grace Hall with your robe, hood, and cap. Check Cabrini.edu/commencement and click on “Academic Attire” on the left side to view a video on how to wear your regalia.

When you enter Grace Hall you will pick up a name card. You MUST have a name card in order to have your name called during the ceremony. Your name will be pre-printed on the card. You can add phonetic pronunciation, if desired. You will hand this card to the Associate Dean as you enter the stage so please hold on to your card! If you lose your card, please see the volunteer at the side of the stage.

When you enter Grace Hall, you won’t be with your guests again until after the ceremony so make sure your guests have the printed tickets to enter Dixon/Nerney Pavilion. Volunteers will help to guide your guests to their seats.

You will not be able to leave personal belongings in Grace Hall, so please give items to your guests before they leave you. Only clutch purses and/or fanny packs (no larger than 5" x 7"), clear bags (no larger than 12" x 6" x 12"), medical bags and diaper bags will be allowed. We encourage you to leave belongings locked in your cars during the ceremony.

Your guests need printed tickets, so please ensure they have them before you go into Grace Hall.

The bookstore will be set up outside of Grace Hall for purchases. If you arrive to campus and realize there is an issue with your cap and gown, please see the Bookstore for assistance.

Group Photo and Procession

After you have on your cap and gown and have your name card, please wait for instructions to head outside (on the side of Grace towards the mansion) and listen to directions from the Photographer who will take a group/class photo.

Volunteers will then line you up for the procession to Dixon. You will be seated near those who are in front of you and behind you in line.

Doctoral students should carry their hood, not wear it.

Ceremony Process

Please follow directions from those on the stage and those who will be in the seating area directing you. When guided to the stage, you will line up and enter the stage when directed. You will hand your card to the Associate Dean for them to read. If you believe your name might be mispronounced, you can whisper the correct pronunciation to the Associate Dean prior to crossing the stage. The Dean will hand you a diploma cover. You will take two posed photos – one center stage and one with a Cabrini backdrop after you exit the stage.

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If you have any questions about Commencement, please email academicaffairs@cabrini.edu.