
2024 Commencement Overview

Bennington College Commencement <commencement@bennington.edu>

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Dear families of our graduating students,

Please see the email below that was sent to your student, this is intended as an overview that can guide you and your student as you prepare for Commencement. As a note: at this point in the Commencement process finalizing your travel and accommodation plans if you have not already done so would be a priority. Our next steps will be a request for you to register for the Friday dessert reception and Saturday conferring of degrees ceremony at a later date (early May) by email invitation. If you have any questions in the interim I invite you to please contact me at commencement@bennington.edu. In the meantime, a hearty congratulations to your family!

Sincerely,

*Nicole Arrington
Director of Special Events*

Dear Seniors, Graduates, and MFA Candidates,

Before I share our final term Commencement Overview with you let me welcome you back for your final term for most of you and congratulate all of you on your upcoming graduation!

Now, let us turn to the business of Commencement and start with sharing the details of the [Commencement schedule](#).

As a broad outline, on **Friday, May 31** there will be a **formal dinner for seniors-only** (with faculty, leadership, board members and speakers, details to follow) and a **dessert reception with families** (registration details to follow, four guests per student preferred please). Then enjoy the last night on campus.

The **Conferring of Degrees ceremony is on Saturday, June 1. No tickets** are required for the graduation ceremony but seating is first-come, first-served, so let your guests and family members know to arrive early if they want to sit close to the front and together. The ceremony starts at 10am sharp.

We are a mask friendly campus. Kindly review our [COVID-19 Updates and Information](#) website for more details.

The [Commencement webpage](#) will serve as your information hub in the weeks to come. Please trust that I shall be following up with you on a regular basis via email to shepherd you through the process. **Future emails** will focus on important steps such as **cap and gown ordering (mid-March), registration for family members (late April), dinner/seating requests, accessibility needs, rehearsal & senior week reminders (early May), and more.** I thank you for your patience as we move through these details together. I've found that the compartmentalizing of the requests assists with the efficiency of work and service. So, please read those emails!

If you have any questions, please direct them to me at commencement@bennington.edu. I look forward to assisting you through all things Commencement. Congratulations to you all on your accomplishment and best of luck for the remainder of the spring term!

Warmly,

Nicole Arrington
Director of Special Events

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