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Undergraduate Student Graduation & Commencement

To graduate, undergraduate students must complete and submit an Application for Graduation with the Office of the University Registrar by the posted graduation application deadlines (https://registrar.ucdavis.edu/graduate/). To participate in the Commencement Ceremony (http://commencement.ucdavis.edu/), a student must register to walk. These are separate actions.

To apply for graduation, undergraduate students are **required** to complete the Online Graduation Application (https://registrar-apps.ucdavis.edu/graduation/) to be considered a candidate for graduation. Students who wish to apply to graduate but have been separated from the University for at least three months must contact the Office of the University Registrar (https://registrarnew.sf.ucdavis.edu/contact/index/).

To provide evidence of graduation and the completion of the degree requirements prior to the formal degree posting to the student record, please refer to the Education Verifications (https://registrar.ucdavis.edu/records/verifications.cfm) webpage.

Graduation Checklist

- Submit Online Graduation Application (https://registrarapps.ucdavis.edu/graduation/).
- Refer to the Commencement (https://www.ucdavis.edu/ commencement/) website to file for participation in the commencement ceremony.
- File a minor declaration petition (https://registrar.ucdavis.edu/ records/changes-major-minor/) with the appropriate college Dean's office by their respective deadline.
- If you need to declare a change of major, submit your major change petition in OASIS (https://registrar.ucdavis.edu/records/changesmajor-minor/) at least one quarter prior to the quarter in which you filed to graduate.
- See a major advisor to confirm your major requirements are satisfied.
- Request a degree check from the appropriate Dean's office to evaluate university and college requirements at least two quarters prior to graduation.
- Verify transcripts for all transfer coursework has been submitted to Undergraduate Admissions (http://admissions.ucdavis.edu/) for evaluation.

Note: This is **not** an inclusive list. For more detailed information, contact your college:

- College of Agricultural & Environmental Sciences (https://caes.ucdavis.edu/)
- · College of Biological Sciences (http://basc.ucdavis.edu)
- College of Engineering (http://engineering.ucdavis.edu/)
- College of Letters & Science (http://ls.ucdavis.edu/)

Note on Minors. Minors are not added to student records until approximately a month after the student's graduation date; after their graduation is approved by the dean's office. Do not wait for your minor

to show up on your record before applying to graduate. Add the minor in your application, it will be added to your record later.

Canceling Graduation After You Have Applied

If you need to cancel your application for graduation, return to the Online Graduation Application (https://registrar-apps.ucdavis.edu/graduation/) and select the option to cancel your application.

Graduation Calendars

Undergraduate students must apply and fill out their graduation application by the appropriate deadline for the quarter in which they are filing to graduate. Late applications for graduation are **not** accepted. The application deadlines are as follows:

Winter Quarter 2024

Graduation Application Period 10/23-12/1/2023
Graduation Cancellation Deadline 3/8/2024
Graduation Date 3/22/2024
Degree Posting Late May 2024
Diploma Distribution Late June 2024

Spring Quarter 2024

Graduation Application Period 1/16-3/8/2024
Graduation Cancellation Deadline 7/8/2024
Graduation Date 6/13/2024
Degree Posting Late August 2024
Diploma Distribution Late September 2024

Summer Quarter 2024

Graduation Application Period 5/15-7/19/2024
Graduation Cancellation Deadline 9/9/2024
Graduation Date 9/13/2024
Degree Posting Late October 2024
Diploma Distribution Late November 2024

Fall Quarter 2024

Graduation Application Period 7/15-9/6/2024
Graduation Cancellation Deadline 12/2/2024
Graduation Date 12/13/2024
Degree Posting Late February 2025
Diploma Distribution Late March 2025

Terms

- Graduation Date. The official graduation date as it appears on the academic record.
- Degree Posting Date. The day your degree is posted to your academic record.
- Diploma Distribution Date. The date your diploma is available for mailing.

Graduate Students

Graduate students must contact Graduate Studies for candidacy information regarding filing fee deadlines for Masters and Doctoral Students. Information for degree candidates is available at:

- Filing Your Thesis or Dissertation (https://grad.ucdavis.edu/finishing-your-degree/)
- Finishing the M.F.A. of the Master's Plan II (https://grad.ucdavis.edu/finishing-your-degree/)

- Graduate Studies Calendar & Deadlines (http://gradstudies.ucdavis.edu/students/calendar.html)
- Information for Degree Candidates (http://gradstudies.ucdavis.edu/ students/degree_candidates.html)

For further information, see Graduate Studies (http://gradstudies.ucdavis.edu/about/directory.html).

Professional Program Students

Professional program students must contact their program office for information regarding candidacy information:

- Graduate School of Management (https://gsm.ucdavis.edu/contactus-today/)
- School of Law (https://law.ucdavis.edu/registrar/)
- School of Medicine (http://www.ucdmc.ucdavis.edu/mdprogram/registrar/)
- School of Veterinary Medicine (https://www.vetmed.ucdavis.edu/ contact/)