



COMMENCEMENT 101: GRADUATE CHECKLIST

- Attend Commencement 101 (Good job...you can already check one off!)
- Tell your loved ones about <http://commencement.cnu.edu/>. There is a ton of information on there that will answer a lot of their questions. Additionally, you can opt your family and friends in for Commencement Communications, so they always have up-to-date information.
- Start following Christopher Newport Alumni Society on Facebook, Instagram and X to stay connected and find out about updates and new events!
- Make your mark on CNU! Don't forget to contribute to the Senior Class Gift and help the Class of 2024 leave a legacy.
- Get your cap and gown!
You can order them on the Herff Jones website (link is on the FAQ page on the Commencement Website) by Friday, March 1 for option 1 (ships to the Captains Locker for you to pickup) or by Monday, April 8 for option 2 (ships directly to you).
- Register for graduation at <http://commencement.cnu.edu/>. Registration opens April 3, 2024. You MUST register by May 3 in order to participate. Be sure to opt-in for the Captain Chris GradBot to receive personalized Commencement updates!
- Attend rehearsal at 9:30 a.m. on Thursday, May 9 in the Diamonstein Concert Hall.
- Attend the Candlelight Ceremony on Thursday, May 9 at 8:30 p.m. on the Great Lawn. Graduates are encouraged to wear white!
- Iron your gown and grab your cap, it's time for Commencement!
Commencement will be held on Saturday, May 11, 2024, Great Lawn
 - 7:45 a.m.**
Arrive to the Potomac Lawn for the Processional and Conferral Ceremony
 - 9:15 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.**
College of Natural and Behavioral Sciences and College of Arts & Humanities Grad Walk
 - 1:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.**
College of Social Sciences and Luter School of Business Grad Walk

If it rains, the Conferral Ceremony will be in the Diamonstein Concert Hall and the Grad Walk will be in the Freeman Center Field House.

STILL HAVE QUESTIONS?
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