

APPLICATION FOR GRADUATION

All students pursuing a graduate degree, post master's degree or advanced certification from Clayton State University must submit an Application for Graduation to the Office of the Registrar two semesters in advance of the intended graduation. The deadlines for submitting an application are

Graduate Term	Final Recommended Graduation Application Deadline
Fall	June 1
Spring	September 15
Summer	January 30

Deadlines can also be found on the Registrar's Webpage (<http://www.clayton.edu/registrar/graduation/#GraduationApplicationDeadlines>).

Degrees are awarded at the end of any semester in which all degree requirements have been completed. The University holds commencement ceremonies in the fall and spring. Specific dates will be posted to the academic calendar.

Summer and Fall graduates will be invited to participate in the December commencement ceremony. Spring graduates will be invited to participate in the May commencement ceremony. Detailed information about each ceremony will be communicated to the graduates approximately 6 weeks prior to the ceremony date.

Because final grades are not reported to the Registrar's Office until after commencement, diplomas are not distributed at the ceremony. Final audits of all graduates are conducted in the weeks following commencement. Diplomas are available approximately 4 weeks after the end of the semester. Diplomas not picked up will be mailed to the current address on file.

Graduate students must normally satisfy the curricular degree requirements of the catalog in effect at the time they enter Clayton State University. The term "curricular degree requirements" refers to the courses and grades required to earn the degree.

In some circumstances, revisions may be required to provide more effective curriculum. Changes in academic regulations affect all students, regardless of the catalog edition; examples include the scholastic discipline policy, procedures for removing incomplete grades, and appeals procedures.

Graduate students who chose to satisfy requirements of a later/ subsequent catalog must receive approval from their Graduate Program Director/Coordinator and the School of Graduate Studies. Degrees will be awarded only to students who have satisfied all of the academic and administrative requirements of the university and college.