



North Carolina Central University  
Commencement Decorum Agreement

The faculty and staff at North Carolina Central University congratulate you on your academic achievement and wish to ensure the commencement ceremony will be a fitting conclusion to this phase of your education.

The North Carolina Central University commencement ceremony is marked by dignity and significance where the actual conferring of degrees personifies hard work and dedication on the part of everyone involved.

As part of the serious nature of the ceremony, students are expected to maintain a measure of decorum appropriate to the occasion and exemplify Eagle Excellence.

All students must follow the rules of the commencement venue and ceremony:

- Students must arrive at least one hour prior to the scheduled start. Late students will not be allowed to participate.
- Students must wear full academic regalia (mortar board, tassel, gown, and hood, if applicable for your degree) and bring permit to march card.
- Select business attire as wardrobe to wear underneath academic regalia and for all commencement events. This may include: dresses, pants, skirts, dress shoes, neck ties, and other business attire that one would wear to a formal interview or professional event. Neutral colors are encouraged for clothing and shoes worn beneath academic regalia.
- Cellular phones must be placed in “silent” mode or turned off during the entire ceremony.
- Graduates are expected to refrain from disruptive behavior including, but not limited to stepping, stomping, hopping, or chanting.
- Signs, bottles, cans, drugs, and alcohol are strictly prohibited (unless bottled water is provided).
- No alcohol or illegal drugs will be permitted in or around the venue. Graduates who overtly appear to be under the influence of either will be removed from the lineup and will not participate in the ceremony.
- Students are expected to return to their seats after the onstage presentation and remain seated for the duration of the ceremony.

Please be advised that any student not exemplifying proper commencement decorum may be subject to discipline under the Student Code of Conduct, and may have their degree and/or transcript withheld. Additionally, non-compliance with this agreement may result in immediate removal from the ceremony.

As a requirement for participation in the North Carolina Central University Commencement Ceremony, each candidate for graduation must acknowledge acceptance of this agreement by clicking the hyperlink below.

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