

Things to do before Commencement, 2016!

- ➔ Students who complete degree requirements as of December 31, 2015, May 31, 2016 and July 31, 2016 are invited to participate in one of the following Commencement ceremonies on **Saturday, May 14, 2016:**
 - ✧ *Undergraduate Students: 9:00 AM on the Front Lawn*
 - ✧ *Graduate Students: 2:00 PM on the Front Lawn*
- ➔ Graduates and their families are invited to participate in the Senior Farewell Service at 4:00 pm on Friday, May 13, 2016 at the Hettenhausen Center for the Arts.
- ➔ Graduates and their families are invited to the Graduate Dinner Celebration at 5:30 pm on Friday evening, May 13, 2016. *This event is sponsored by the Alumni Association and more information will be mailed to you in March, 2016.*

- ➔ **Caps and Gowns** *must be ordered online at:*
<https://collegegrad.herffjones.com/site/descriptors>.

Your regalia will be delivered directly to you.

Please note that undergraduate students must order a cap and gown, and graduate (Masters, Specialist and Doctorate) students must order a cap, gown, and hood in order to participate in the ceremony.

[The deadline to order your cap and gown is Tuesday, April 5, 2016.](#)

- ➔ **Graduation announcements** can also be ordered online at:
<https://collegegrad.herffjones.com/site/descriptors>.

- ➔ Your **student account** must be **paid in full** (including the graduation fee) before you will be allowed to participate in Commencement, have your name printed in the Commencement program, or have your degree verified in any way. In addition, no transcript or diploma can be released until your student account is **paid in full**.

To have your name printed in the Commencement Program,
YOUR ACCOUNT MUST BE CLEAR BY 5:00 PM ON MARCH 15, 2015.

- ➔ If you took out loans while attending McKendree University, you will receive a letter from the Office of Financial Aid concerning **loan exit counseling**. This is a federal requirement that must be completed upon graduation. Please read and follow the directions carefully. If you have questions, please contact the Financial Aid Office at 537-6828.