Commencement Participation Policy

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PURPOSE
To clarify which students are eligible to participate in the university’s commencement ceremonies.

SCOPE
This policy is pertinent to all degree-seeking students at Mansfield University and establishes the eligibility requirements for commencement participation.

RESPONSIBILITY
The Academic Affairs division is responsible for implementing and periodically reviewing this policy.

PROCEDURE
Students are expected to attend the commencement ceremony held during the semester in which they have been certified for graduation. For example, students certified to graduate in December participate in the December commencement, while students certified to graduate in May participate in the May commencement. Potential August graduates are invited to participate in the May ceremony. The student must have submitted an application for graduation for August.

DISTRIBUTION
The Commencement Participation Policy is accessible via the Policies and Procedures web page.