

**Temple University Petition for Non-graduates to Attend  
University Commencement and/or School Graduation Ceremonies**

**“Walk Only” Petition**

INSTRUCTIONS

Commencement is intended to be a University-wide celebration of the completion of your degree. Following commencement, schools and colleges hold separate ceremonies to celebrate the graduation of their students. We recognize that due to extenuating circumstances, students who have not yet completed all degree requirements may wish to participate in these ceremonies. These guidelines outline the circumstances under which undergraduate students may be allowed to participate.

Students who meet the requirements listed below may receive permission to participate in commencement activities:

1. After reviewing current registration, student must be **within two courses or eight credit hours** of meeting their degree requirements; this status must be verified by the school or college.
2. **Petitions must be submitted by the University graduation application deadline for the graduation requested.** The deadlines are:
  - Monday, February 15, 2010 for May 2010 commencement and graduation ceremonies
  - Friday, October 15, 2010 for the January 2011 graduation ceremony
  - Tuesday, February 15, 2011 for May 2011 commencement and graduation ceremonies
3. Students may participate in commencement and graduation ceremonies *only once*. Students with an approved petition to participate in commencement and graduation ceremonies as a non-graduate forfeit their right to participate when they actually complete their degrees, even if they do not attend the ceremony for which their petition was approved.

Students who meet the criteria listed above must submit this petition to the Advising Center of their college or school.

Petitions will be reviewed for adherence to the criteria listed above; students will be notified of the decision via their Advising Session Reports in OWLnet.

**NOTE: Tickets to the ceremony/ies for guests will be assigned on a space-available basis.**

**CST Office of Student Services  
1810 Liacouras Walk, Suite 203**

## Temple University Petition of Non-graduates to Participate in Commencement Ceremonies

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ TU ID: \_\_\_\_\_

Local Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_@temple.edu

Major: \_\_\_\_\_ Degree (circle one): B.A. B.S. Number of credits remaining \_\_\_\_\_

Print your name as it should appear in the program booklet  
(This must match the name on your official Temple record): \_\_\_\_\_

Write your name as it sounds (must be completed): \_\_\_\_\_

Please check the ceremony/ies you are petitioning to attend and explain the justification for your request in the space below:

University Commencement     CST Graduation Ceremony

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I understand that if I receive permission to participate in Temple University Commencement activities, even though I have not completed one or more of the requirements necessary to graduate, I will NOT officially graduate until I resolve/complete all outstanding requirements.

I understand that inclusion on a future graduation list is not automatic and that I will submit a graduation application for the upcoming semester based on the deadlines required by my college or school. I further understand that my graduation date will NOT be retroactive and will correspond to the upcoming semester in which I successfully complete all outstanding requirements and have applied for graduation.

I understand that it is my responsibility to inform my employer that I have not graduated if my employment is contingent upon receipt of my degree.

I understand that if approved to attend my College/School Graduation Ceremony prior to my actual graduation, I forfeit my right to attend a future College/School Ceremony when I complete my degree requirements.

I understand that my name may not appear in either the University or College/School Commencement Books and that I will NOT receive a diploma at this time.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Student's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

Approved

Denied

\_\_\_\_\_  
Dean or Dean's Designee's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date