

Ceremony Information

Before the Ceremony

Graduates should report straight to the assigned seat on their walk card before the ceremony.

Parking

There will be NO parking on grass surfaces on campus. All parking near First National Bank Arena will be available with the gates up. Consult the [online parking map](#) for locations not normally available during football season.

[Parking map >>](#)

Guests for the Ceremony

All commencement ceremonies are open seating for guests. Guests can sit anywhere that isn't designated as reserved.

Clear Bag Policy

For those in attendance, please note that [the university's clear bag policy](#) will be enforced.

Walk Cards

You will receive two cards when you pick up your cap and gown. Please bring these cards with you to the commencement ceremony. It is important that you have these for the announcer and photographer. Please consider these cards as part of your “regalia” and come to the ceremony with them.

How to Receive Your Diploma

Beginning Fall 2023, Arkansas State University has partnered with Parchment to offer a free digital diploma in addition to the paper diploma. Your digital diploma compliments your paper diploma, which will be mailed to you 10-15 business days after your digital diploma is claimed. The digital diploma can be accessed from any device at any time and shared via social media. Check your AState email account for a notification when your digital diploma is issued.

- Diplomas will not be distributed to students who have an account balance.
- Diplomas will NOT be mailed to third parties including family members, unless written consent is provided.

Did Not Receive My Diploma

First, log into Banner Self-Service and check your transcript to see if your degree has been awarded (this process takes several business days after final grades are posted).

If your degree has been awarded, next check if your student account has a zero balance. Diplomas will not be distributed to students who have an account balance. Contact the Student Accounts for information on paying your balance.

If your degree has been awarded and you have a zero balance, please check your AState email account for updates from Parchment on how to receive your diploma. Students will typically receive this email about 2 to 3 weeks after final grades have been reported.

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