Final Semester Graduating Students

Students not enrolled in their final courses cannot participate in Commencement.

Deadlines related to graduation will be posted under: www.aamu.edu → myAAMU → Student Resources → E-Advisor. Also check the Registrar’s web page for announcements related to graduation. This page can also be found under Student Resources.

Items to check on:
- Incomplete grades are removed (check with the instructor) by:
  - April 01 for Spring graduates
  - June 15 for Summer completion
  - October 01 for Fall graduates.
- Course substitutions have been fully approved (check with your advisor).

Please note that there are four areas that you have to be cleared from before you can walk. These four areas are what are listed when you check the Graduation Clearance Status on the AAMU website. They are:
  - Academics (Registrar’s Office) – The Senior Record Check (SRC) packet is reviewed by the Registrar’s Office. Any discrepancies are listed on the Graduation Clearance Status web page.
  - Career Development Services Office – Your resume is posted electronically among other things. Any discrepancies are listed on the Graduation Clearance Status web page.
  - Financial Aid Office – An exit counseling interview has to be done in person. If you are not receiving financial aid, still go and verify that you are not receiving aid so they will clear you to graduate. Any discrepancies are listed on the Graduation Clearance Status web page.
  - Financial Services (Business Office) – All monetary obligations need to be resolved. Any discrepancies are listed on the Graduation Clearance Status web page.

The Graduation Clearance Status screen is not updated for anyone until after final grades are in for graduating seniors.

If you do not intend to participate in Commencement, you must send a request in writing to Academic Affairs explaining why you are unable to participate and that you would like your diploma mailed to you. Make sure to include your name, Banner ID and expected graduation semester/year. The Office of Academic Affairs will send a written response back to you. If approval is obtained, please make arrangements with the Registrar’s Office to mail your diploma.

Take the Graduating Senior Exit Survey on the Alabama A&M University Graduation Clearance Status web page. Please complete the survey before you are cleared.

Commencement invitations can be ordered after Mid-Term Week. Student ID is required when ordering. Contact Printing Services at 372-5770.

Cap and gowns can be ordered during Grad Finale. Usually a poster and/or announcement is made around that time through your Bulldog Email address.

Commencement Practice attendance is mandatory. President’s luncheon to follow.

Proper dress attire for Commencement:
  - Gentlemen: White shirt, black tie, black pants, black shoes. No flip-flops. No tennis shoes.

Diplomas will not be distributed until Commencement is ended. Picture ID is required to pick-up diploma.