



School of Business

Know Before You Go

Pitt Business Spring 2026 Commencement

Saturday, May 2, 2026 | Petersen Events Center | 3719 Terrace St, Pittsburgh, PA 15261

INSTRUCTIONS FOR GRADUATES

No pre-registration required. Enter through the [main lobby](#) (Zoo entrance). If you arrive at the concourse level, take the external side steps down to the main lobby. All attendees pass through security screening upon entry.

Doors open at 10:00 AM — no early access permitted. Graduates must arrive no later than **10:30 AM** or they will not be permitted to participate.

Once inside, proceed to the tables marked for your program:

- **Undergraduate students** → Once in the lobby, proceed to the registration table that is aligned with the first letter of your last name (A – G, H – O, or P – Z)
- **Graduate students** → Once in the lobby, proceed to the registration tables for all degree types.

REGISTRATION

Undergraduate Students

Check in at one of three tables organized by the first letter of your last name:

Last Name	Name Card	Line-Up Location
A – G	Red Name Card	Rally House — Pete lobby
H – O	Green Name Card	Former Baierl Rec Center, Food Court Level
P – Z	Yellow Name Card	Former Baierl Rec Center, Food Court Level

Graduate Students (PhD, DBA, MBA, MS)

Check in at the single registration table designated for graduate students. You will receive a **blue name card**. After checking in, follow signage to the tunnel leading to the floor of the Pete to line up.

Important — All Graduates: You will receive a name card at registration. **Do not lose it. You must bring it to the stage and present it to the name reader during the ceremony.** Do not leave it on your chair.

WHAT TO BRING / WEAR

Full academic regalia is required to participate. Purchase regalia at the [University Bookstore](#) and learn how to [wear it here](#). Graduates may wear full military uniform in lieu of regalia.

Do not bring bags, backpacks, or purses — personal items must fit under your regalia.

All attendees are subject to the [Clear Bag Policy](#) and bag searches.

PHOTOGRAPHY

Photos will be taken by GradImages. Pre-register your contact information [using this link to](#) receive **20% off orders of \$50 or more**. When registering, select institution: **University of Pittsburgh → Univ of Pittsburgh – Business Spring**.

PARKING

A \$7 parking fee applies to all Pitt Commencement ceremony parking. Recommended options include the OC Lot, BioScience Tower Garage, PG Garage at the School of Public Health, and Soldiers and Sailors Garage. See the [Petersen Events Center website for full details](#).

ACCESSIBILITY INFORMATION

Parking: The BioScience Tower Garage (3505 Terrace Street) is the closest accessible parking. The accessible entrance to the Pete is diagonal on Terrace Street. A valid handicapped placard or license plate is required and spaces limited. Arrive early to secure the best spot.

Entrance & Drop-Off: The Terrace Street Lobby entrance is ADA accessible. The easiest drop-off is adjacent to the Panthers Ticket Office (use the doors furthest to the right). Staff will assist guests to the elevator. Doors open at 10:00 AM, no early entry available.

Accessible Seating: Accessible seating is available on all levels at the Pete. Specific wheelchair-accessible seating with limited companion seats is available in Sections 120–124.

Closed Captioning: Live captioning is available on personal mobile devices. Access instructions will be displayed on screens throughout the Pete prior to the ceremony.

For more information, visit the [Petersen Events Center Accessibility page](#).

STAY CONNECTED

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- **Instagram:** [@PittBusiness_ug](#) and [@PittBusiness](#)
- **Facebook:** [@UniversityOfPittsburghSchoolOfBusiness](#)

SPECIFIC INSTRUCTIONS FOR GUESTS

This event is free with no tickets required; seating is first come, first served. Guests should enter through [Concourse A](#) off Allequippa Street.

Doors open at 10:00 AM — no early entry permitted. The ceremony begins at **11:00 AM** and is expected to last approximately 2 hours.

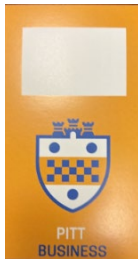
Clear Bag Policy is in effect. Please review and share the Pete's Clear Bag Policy with all guests before the event.

CONCESSIONS & GIFTS

- Concessions will be available on the Concourse Level, including fruit, juice, coffee, water, Celsius, and breakfast pastries.
- Commencement Flowers will be on-site before and after the ceremony.
- Flora and Falcon will be on-site selling handmade, needle-felted flowers. This fairtrade store is owned and operated by a Pitt alumnus.

VIRTUAL ATTENDANCE

The ceremony will be [livestreamed here](#) for guests not able to attend in person. A digital copy of the printed program will also be available at that link.



Need assistance? Look for staff wearing a **yellow Pitt Business Staff Badge and Lanyard.**