
May 2026 Graduation Application [Action Required]

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Office of the Registrar

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Hello,

Congratulations! You are on track to complete the necessary credits by the end of the Spring semester, making you eligible to apply for your degree from HGSE.

This email contains essential information about and instructions for how to complete the graduation application process. The deadline to submit your application is **April 17th**.

[Instructions on How to Apply for Graduation](#)

Best,

Miguel Sahagún, Ph.D.
Assistant Dean of Enrollment Services and Registrar of the Harvard Graduate School of Education



The 2026 Commencement will be held on May 28

Before You Submit: Important Graduation Application Notes

Diploma Name:

Fill out this section of the application with the name you would like to appear on your diploma. No changes to the diploma name will be accepted after **April 17th**: printing of diplomas begins at that time.

- Please note that if you are planning on applying for a verification or apostille in the future, it may be helpful to have your diploma reflect your ID or passport name.

Shipping:

You can choose to pick up your diploma in person immediately after the Commencement exercises or have it sent directly to your preferred address within the United States. If you do not plan to attend Commencement, your diploma can be mailed to you; however, please ensure you provide a mailing address for this purpose. **Diplomas can only be mailed within the U.S. territories, if you have questions about international shipping, please email us at registrar@gse.harvard.edu.**

Diplomas will be shipped to the address listed on the application on May 28th and take roughly 4 weeks to be processed and shipped.

- If you need to update your pickup/delivery method, please email the Registrar's Office before April 17th. After this date, you will be responsible for the shipping cost if you wish to have it delivered.

Financial Aid Requirement (If you borrowed a Federal Direct Loan):

As a graduating student who has borrowed a Federal Direct Loan, you must complete the online Exit Counseling to receive your diploma in a timely fashion. Please complete this requirement by **May 15th**. The Financial Aid office will monitor completion and send reminders if you have not successfully fulfilled this requirement.

You can complete Federal Direct Loan Exit Counseling by visiting <https://studentaid.gov/exit-counseling>. You will need your FSA (Federal Student Aid) ID to complete this process. Log in and be sure to select the Harvard Graduate School of Education from the list of schools and select "Notify This School." Once you have added HGSE, continue through the Exit Counseling process to learn about your rights and responsibilities after you leave school and begin repayment on your student

Please contact HGSE Financial Aid office at finaid@gse.harvard.edu if you have any questions.



Upcoming Dates and Deadlines

- 3/13 - Spring 1 Modules End
- 3/23 - Spring 2 Modules Begin
- 3/30 - Spring 2 Add/Drop/Change Grading Basis Deadline
- 4/17 - Graduation Application and Diploma Name Update Deadline
- 5/1 - Spring Classes End
- 5/28 - Commencement

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HGSE Resources

- [my.Harvard](#)
- [Office of Student Affairs](#)
- [Master's Programs Support](#)
- [Career Services Office](#)
- [Financial Aid](#)
- [Gutman Library](#)
- [HGSE Student Handbook](#)

Contact Us

Email: Registrar@gse.harvard.edu

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Hours: 10:00am-4:00pm Monday-Friday (subject to change please check website for update hours)

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