

3685 - Commencement Participation Policy – ~~Commencement Committee~~CECS Senators draft

Commencement ceremonies constitute a public ~~acknowledgement-celebration marking that students have completed education requirements of the University~~the completion of a Wright State educational program. Students are eligible ~~and expected~~ to participate in ~~the first~~the first commencement ceremony following the completion of their course of study.

~~Students may submit a Commencement Participation Petition Form to the Office of the Registrar at least 4 weeks prior to deadline to register for commencement to attend an alternative scheduled ceremony.~~

~~Exceptions to this policy are restricted to mandatory relocation or documented emergency. A student may submit a request for such an exception by submitting a completed Commencement Participation Petition Form[w1] to the Office of the Registrar. Petitions must be submitted at least 4 weeks prior to deadline to register for commencement. The Senate Executive Committee in consultation with the Provost will establish guidelines for approval of petitions and the Commencement Committee will rule on exceptional cases.~~

~~In coordination with the Office of the Registrar, the Faculty Senate Commencement Committee will meet to rule on all submitted petitions for the upcoming ceremony. The Office of the Registrar will then communicate the ruling of the committee~~disposition of the petition via ~~WSU~~Wright State email in time to allow for commencement registration.

Students who ~~successfully petition but then~~ fail to appear ~~for their scheduled ceremony~~ must ~~may~~ petition again to participate in a subsequent ceremony ~~but this petition must include documentation of extraordinary circumstances preventing their participation at the scheduled ceremony. The Registrar's Office may choose to adopt, with Faculty Senate approval, an administrative fee to submit a petition starting with a student's second petition.~~

Regardless of circumstances, no student may participate in a commencement ceremony beyond the ~~fifth~~third year after the completion of their course of study.