

REQUEST TO PARTICIPATE IN COMMENCEMENT AS A NON-GRADUATE
AND TO COMPLETE DEGREE REQUIREMENTS WITHIN
7 MONTHS FOLLOWING COMMENCEMENT

Although I shall not be eligible to receive my degree this May, I request permission to participate with my Class in this year's Commencement activities: namely, to attend all public receptions and ceremonies, to be listed in the Commencement program, to wear the cap and gown, to march and sit with those being graduated, to have my name read out, and to walk across the platform to receive my diploma jacket. To do these things as a non-graduate, I understand:

- 1.that by the end of Block Eight, I must be within two courses of completing all my degree requirements, have earned at least 29 course credits, and have a cumulative grade point average of 2.0 or higher. OR if I am earning an Education Certification, by the end of Block Eight, I must have ONLY three blocks of student teaching and EDU 483 (can also include 1 Ingenuity in Action requirement) remaining to complete my degree.
2. that I am responsible for creating a plan for finishing my remaining degree requirements which includes the course(s), institution(s), and term(s). This plan must be created with my academic advisor and must be approved by the Registrar, preferably by the start of Block 8.
- 3.that my diploma jacket will not contain a diploma and my transcript and other certification documents will not list me as having graduated.
- 4.that my diploma will be conferred at the next degree conferral date (either August or December), depending upon the date I complete my degree requirements. However, if I elect this option, I shall not be ranked within the graduating class of this or any other year and I may not be eligible for certain honors whose recipients are chosen from those seniors scheduled to be graduated in May.
- 5.that if I qualify for all-college honors, these will not be listed on the Commencement Program because I am not yet a graduate, but will be imprinted on my diploma and appear on my transcript after I have graduated.
- 6.that, if I do not complete all my degree requirements by the August conferral date following this May's Commencement, I shall be graduated at the next degree conferral date (December) following completion of my degree requirements and my diploma shall be dated as of that degree conferral date and not retroactively; however, I may request the Alumni Office to include me in notices and activities intended for an earlier Class.

7.that, if I participate in this May's Commencement, I am not eligible to participate a second time and my diploma shall be mailed to me at the address I have given the Registrar.

8.that all remaining coursework may be taken through Cornell College, through Acadeum Course sharing, or may be transferred to Cornell from an accredited college or university. All transfer work must be approved in advance via a [Petition of Transfer credit](#) and that only courses graded C or higher will be accepted.

9.that I am responsible for arranging for the Registrar to receive the necessary transcripts and confirmations before the August or December conferral date.

10.that I am granted the status of non-graduate until the end of the Fall semester following Commencement, during which time I must complete the degree requirements that apply to me now and that if I fail to complete these requirements during this time period, I will be considered withdrawn from the college.If I do not complete my degree requirements by the end of the Fall semester following Commencement, then I will be held to the degree requirements in effect at the time I either return or transfer in the remaining courses.

11.that my signature below signifies that I have read the above and understand the conditions of my participation as a non-graduate and the procedures required to complete my degree and obtain my diploma.

Name (Please Print)_____

Signature_____ Date _____