



MSBS-CO Class of 2026 Graduation Frequently Asked Questions

Q: Will my family need tickets to attend the MSBS-CO Commencement Ceremony?

A: Each MSBS-CO graduate is allowed to invite up to **15** guests. If you do not plan to use all **15** tickets, you are encouraged to share any extras with fellow MSBS-CO graduates.

- As part of enhanced security measures, tickets will be required to access the seating area. All tickets will be issued electronically, and once your ticket quantity is confirmed, you will receive QR codes for entry. **Guests must present a valid ticket to enter the seating area; those without a ticket will not be admitted.** Tickets can only be scanned once, so please make sure that each person receives a different QR code. Seating is available on a first-come, first-served basis. Children who do not require their own seat do not need a ticket.

Q: How does the online ticketing system work?

A: Prior to the ceremony, all graduates will receive a link to the EventBrite website. After creating an account, their tickets will automatically appear in the app. MSBS-CO graduates may request up to **15** tickets, which will be delivered electronically to the email address provided. Once received, tickets can be transferred to guests or classmates via email or text. Please Note: once a ticket is transferred, it is no longer accessible or valid for the original holder.

It's important **NOT** to share the original secure ticket link with guests. Graduates **must** request their own tickets and then distribute any extras. If the secure link is shared externally, the associated tickets will be considered invalid.

Q: Can you explain the policy for guest hooders?

A: A designated RVU MSBS Faculty member will hood all MSBS graduates.

Q: What is the anticipated length of the ceremony?

A: We expect the ceremony to last approximately 1 hour.

Q: Is attendance at the Commencement Ceremony required?

A: Participation in the ceremony is mandatory to obtain your diploma.

Q: Do I have to attend Graduation Week events?

A: All graduates are required to be on campus on Thursday, 5/14, for a rehearsal, photos, and other related activities.

Q: Will my family be allowed to photograph me as I cross the stage?

A: Family members will not be permitted close enough to the stage to take photos. However, a professional photographer will be onsite to capture photos of each graduate on stage. Additionally, a Class Facebook page has been created and a link to this page, containing all ceremony photos and individual headshots, will be sent to the graduates.

Q: How can I place an order for announcements?

A: A link with instructions on how to order regalia, diploma frames, and announcements through Herff Jones will be provided to graduates.

Q: How do I request disability accommodations for a family member?

A: Please fill out the graduation survey. You'll have the chance to let us know if any of your guests need accommodations for the ceremony.

Q: Where do I park? Does it cost anything?

A: The Colorado Convention Center provides access to a 772-space onsite covered parking garage. Parking is available for \$13.00 and can be paid for via cash or card. For those guests with mobility restrictions, a passenger drop-off area is located off Stout Street near the intersection of Speer Blvd. More info on parking can be found here: **Convention Center Parking**

Q: What time should my family arrive at the venue to ensure they get good seats?

A: The MSBS-CO ceremony will begin promptly at 1:30 PM. Students should arrive by 12:30 PM to allow time to don regalia and line up. Venue doors will open at 1:00 PM for guests, and all seating will be available on a first-come, first-served basis.

Q: Do I get to keep my regalia?

A: Yes, the entire set of regalia is yours to keep.

Q: Am I able to receive my regalia before the graduation week activities?

A: No, unfortunately, we are unable to hand out regalia early.

Q: When will I receive my diploma?

A: Diplomas will be distributed immediately following the ceremony.

Q: I want to order a diploma frame. What are the dimensions of the diploma?

A: The dimensions of the MSBS diploma are 8.5" x 11".

Q: Will the ceremony be recorded or streamed?

A: The ceremony will be both recorded and live-streamed. Graduates will receive further details as the date nears.

Q: Is there a specific dress code for Graduation Week and the Graduation Ceremony?

A: Business professional attire is required for both Thursday's activities and the Commencement Ceremony. During the ceremony, your regalia will cover your clothing but not your feet, so please refrain from wearing flip flops.

Q: Is attendance at the Graduation Party required?

A: Attendance at the graduation party is optional. However, it promises to be an enjoyable event, and we hope you can join us. Please note that the Graduation Party is exclusively for graduates and **one** guest each.

Q: Where can my family find the latest Commencement details?

A: Please refer them to the RVU website. About RVU/Events/Commencement.