The University is dedicated to celebrating all graduates in a manner that is safe for all. For now, we know that we will be celebrating the 2021 graduates on May 22nd and 23rd. Once a decision has been made by University leadership on the format of Commencement, all graduates will be notified via their CSUSM email. If we are unable to host an in-person ceremony, we will host one when we are able to do so safely and invite graduates who did not have this opportunity.
GRADFEST 2021 - MARCH 10 & 11

**GradFest 2021** will be virtual on March 10th & 11th! Our GradFest vendors will be available virtually on Microsoft Teams to help you shop for all of your graduation gear and accessories. Join us at the event on Teams to be eligible to win one of our amazing prizes! The University Store and Jostens will provide their promotional codes for discounted packages and other commencement items!

Also, learn some tips and tricks to spruce up your resume to land that dream job after graduation and how to get a free lapel pin. You can also learn more about the Alumni Association’s gift to the Class of 2021 and what the **Class Champion Package** includes. Checkout the [GradFest](#) site to see the schedule of times and links!

**Microsoft Teams Download and Guide**

Please email the Commencement Office if you require special accommodations.

**CAP AND GOWN PHOTOS**

Have you scheduled your cap and gown portraits with DiFranco Photography? You can book your private session which includes cap and gown photos and one additional outfit change. They are located just blocks away from campus!

The sitting fee will hold your preferred date and time and will be applied to your photo purchase. DiFranco Photography will have a CSUSM diploma cover for you to photograph with. Book your appointment today!

Sessions will be following all state and local health orders to ensure the safety of the graduate and the photography team.

**diFranco Photography email:** info@difrancophoto.com
**diFranco Photography Website:** http://difrancophoto.com/schedule

*In the abundance of caution, graduate will have to provide regalia along with stole(s). Photographer will have a diploma cover available to photograph with.*
COUGAR FAMILIES CELEBRATE THEIR GRADS!

The Office of New Student and Family Programs is hosting a family celebration for Wednesday, May 12 from 7PM-8PM. Let us know you will attend the Cougar Families Celebrate their Grads by completing the RSVP form.

Graduate Tribute

The Commencement Office would like to celebrate the Class of 2021 by creating a short video to feature on our website, YouTube Channel, and on the @CSUSMCougarCentral Instagram Page and other social media. If you would like to be featured, complete the online form on the Commencement website and view the entry rules.

COMMENCEMENT OFFICE

If you have a question about Commencement, send us an email that includes your Student ID number to: commencement@csusm.edu. Don't forget to also visit our website too! We can't wait to celebrate you in May!