CONGRATULATIONS CLASS of 2020!
Now through Commencement you will receive monthly updates from the Commencement Office on upcoming events, and important dates and deadlines leading up to the ceremonies. For the full ceremony schedule, visit the Commencement website.

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Let Us Know You’ll Attend Commencement
After you apply to graduate, you will see a message pop-up asking if you plan to attend your Commencement ceremony. You can reply "yes", "no", or "remind me later". You can change your response at any time in your Communication Center. All final responses must be submitted by May 1, 2020. If you do not see the pop-up message right away, log back in after 24 hours, the system may need to refresh.

GradFest CANCELLED
We have made the difficult decision to cancel GradFest, originally scheduled for March 11 & 12, 2020, out of an abundance of caution related to COVID-19 concerns. You can purchase regalia from the University Bookstore starting on Thursday, March 12th. Regalia will be available for purchase up until the weekend of Commencement. Unfortunately, at this time, regalia is not available for purchase on-line and must be purchased in person.

While we believe that the risks of individual infection by the COVID-19 virus remain low, we also agree with guidance from health agencies that convening large groups of otherwise healthy people could increase the risk of infection for vulnerable populations.

We encourage individuals to review the Center for Disease Control and Prevention’s (CDC) suggested actions to help reduce the likelihood of infection by respiratory viruses and to consider their own personal health situation when planning travel.

Please visit www.csusm.edu/commencement for more information on how you can participate and prepare for commencement.
Apply to Be the Class Speaker or Vocalist at Your Ceremony
Do you have an inspiring story to share about your experience at CSUSM? Do you have an amazing singing voice? Submit the [Commencement Speaker/Vocalist application](http://www.csusm.edu/commencement) by Monday, March 16th to be considered for this year’s Commencement.

Newsletter
Parents, family members, and guests can sign up to receive this newsletter to stay informed on events and important dates leading up to your ceremony! Form can be found at [csusm.edu/commencement/newsletters](http://csusm.edu/commencement/newsletters).