

COMMENCEMENT

2025

# Grad *Guide*

*Your Guidebook For All Things Commencement*





# CONGRATULATIONS!

CONNECTICUT STATE COMMUNITY COLLEGE

THREE RIVERS

COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES

TUESDAY, MAY 27, 2025

AT 10:00 A.M.

UNCAS BALLROOM, MOHEGAN SUN

1 MOHEGAN SUN BLVD, UNCASVILLE, CT

*Congratulations on reaching this very significant milestone in your life.*

## How to Apply for Graduation

All students who are ready to graduate must apply for graduation. Please log in to myCTState and go to student self-service, then apply for graduation. Application deadline for May 2025 conferrals is April 15, 2025. Students that missed the deadline may still be able to graduate but might not be able to participate in the ceremony.

## Caps and Gowns

Students who will be graduating must pre-order caps and gowns online through Josten's.

There is no charge for caps and gowns. The last day for online pre-orders of cap and gowns is April 16, 2025.

If you did not pre-order a cap and gown, you must send a request to Student Activities at [TR-Commencement@ctstate.edu](mailto:TR-Commencement@ctstate.edu) as soon as possible. Pick up will be at Grad-a-Palooza on May 14 from 11:00 a.m. until 6:00 p.m. in the Multipurpose Room.

## Grad-a-Palooza

Join us for Grad-a-Palooza 2025 on Wednesday, May 15, 2025, from 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. in the Multipurpose Room. You will find everything you need to participate in Commencement and make your graduation a truly momentous occasion. You will be able to pick up your cap and gown, decorate your cap, take a pre-grad photo, join the Alumni Association, enjoy the festivities, connect with other graduates and celebrate your achievement.

## Guest Tickets

Each graduate attending Commencement will receive eight tickets for guests. Tickets will be distributed at Grad-a-Palooza on May 14. If additional tickets are required, please send an email with quantity requested to: [TR-Commencement@ctstate.edu](mailto:TR-Commencement@ctstate.edu).

## Special Accommodations

If you are a graduate with a disability who needs special accommodations, please send a message to [TR-Commencement@ctstate.edu](mailto:TR-Commencement@ctstate.edu) no later than May 20, 2025. Please remember to include your contact information: name, Banner ID and phone number.

## Commencement Site

CT State Three Rivers commencement exercises will be held at the Uncas Ballroom, located in the Sky Convention Center at Mohegan Sun, on May 27, 2025, at 10:00 a.m.

Graduates: please plan to arrive between 8:30 a.m. and no later than 9:00 a.m. for instructions and line-up. Student Procession will begin promptly at 9:45 a.m.

Commencement will begin at 10:00 a.m.

Check the Commencement webpage for important updates: [ctstate.edu/commencement](http://ctstate.edu/commencement).

## Dos and Don'ts

- Photographs and videos may only be taken from seats or in the designated photo area.
- Cell phones should be set to silent during the ceremony.
- Please remain in your seat until the end of the ceremony.
- No balloons, confetti, noise makers, liquor or smoking is permitted inside the ballroom.

## Parking

There are multiple parking garages, lots and valet parking available at Mohegan Sun. The closest car park to the Uncas Ballroom/Sky Convention Center is at the Riverview Garage.

## Arrival and Procession

Graduates must arrive between 8:30 a.m. and 9:00 a.m. and proceed to Uncas Ballroom for check-in and lineup. The procession will begin promptly at 9:45 a.m. Please allow enough time to find parking and get through the casino.

Guests of graduates must arrive by 9:30 a.m. to be seated before the procession of students begins.

## Special Accommodations for Guests of Students

If you have a guest who requires accessible seating at the ceremony, your guest will be assisted upon arrival at the Uncas Ballroom.

## Honor Cords

Honor cords will be distributed at Grad-a-Palooza to students who have a GPA of 3.4 or higher.

## Commencement Ceremony

All students and guests who have chosen to be at and participate in the Commencement ceremony **MUST** stay for the entire ceremony. Guests can meet the graduates after the students process through the faculty/staff "clap line".

## Professional Photography of your Special Day

A professional photographer will be available to take your photograph on the stage with President Jukoski after receiving your diploma cover.

Additional photographs will be taken as you exit the stage. A no-obligation order form will be forwarded to you from Grad Images for you to order photographs.

Guests are not permitted in the aisles to take photographs during the ceremony. This activity is prohibited by the Fire Marshall and such activity can be distracting and may create safety concerns. A special photography area will be available to the left of the platform for guests to take photos as graduates receive their diploma and exit the platform.

## Diplomas

All graduates will be given a diploma cover on stage at the Commencement Ceremony.

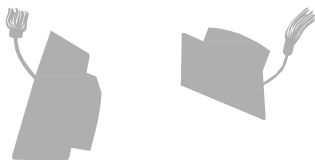
## Diploma Pick Up

The diplomas will be ready for pick up in August. An email will be sent to your college email regarding where, when and what time diplomas will be available for pick up. Please continue to check your college email for important updates.

## Welcome to the CT State Community College Three Rivers Alumni Association

We invite you to join the CT State Three Rivers Alumni Association! Open to all graduates of Three Rivers at any time, our association offers you the opportunity to affirm your legacy by becoming a member.

We are committed to fostering connections and engagement among alumni, keeping you informed about all activities and developments at the campus, and providing opportunities to build valuable networks.



# Commencement 2025

**Date:** Tuesday, May 27, 2025  
**Time:** 10:00 a.m.  
**Place:** Uncas Ballroom (located inside the Sky Convention Center), Mohegan Sun  
1 Mohegan Sun Boulevard  
Uncasville, CT

## Directions to Mohegan Sun

Follow I-395 to Exit 9 to CT-2A East towards Ledyard/Preston. Then take Exit 6/Mohegan Sun Boulevard in Uncasville, CT. The Riverview Parking Garage provides the closest parking to the Uncas Ballroom. For additional information for other transportation options, please visit the Mohegan Sun website at <https://mohegansun.com/about-mohegan-sun/getting-here/directions.html>

# Grad-a-Palooza 2025

**Date:** Wednesday May 14, 2025  
**Time:** 11:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.  
**Place:** Multipurpose Room

## ADA Services at Mohegan Sun

Wheelchairs are available on a first-come, first-served basis. Limited availability.

Electric scooters are available for rent. Reservations are recommended to ensure availability. To reserve, call 860-862-8125 or 888-320-4577. Rental fee: \$45

Handicapped parking is available in all parking garages and Winter Parking Lot.

