

Eligibility

If you have questions about your eligibility to graduate, CONTACT YOUR ADVISOR.

Ceremony

- Undergraduate caps, gowns and tassels can be purchased from the University Bookstore any time between now and May 4, 2019. The cost is \$40 plus tax.
- Graduate hoods, gowns, caps and tassels can also be purchased from the bookstore. This cost is \$80 plus tax.
- Tickets are not required for the ceremony, and there is no limit to the number of guests invited.
- Report to the Student Center Ballroom at 2:00 p.m. for line-up and instructions.

Honors

To be eligible for a degree with honor, a student must have completed at least 45 undergraduate semester hours at the University.

- Degrees with honor are based on performance in all undergraduate academic work completed at Athens State University, with the exception of any coursework excluded by course forgiveness or academic bankruptcy.
- The following honors may be awarded to undergraduate students:
 - Institutional GPA of 3.9 - 4.0 *Summa Cum Laude* (gold medallion)
 - Institutional GPA of 3.70 - 3.89 *Magna Cum Laude* (silver medallion)
 - Institutional GPA of 3.50 -3.69 *Cum Laude* (bronze medallion)
- Since all grades for the final semester may not be available in time for commencement ceremonies and printing of commencement programs, degree with honor designations for a commencement ceremony are unofficial.
- Final academic honor designations are determined after grades for the final semester have been posted. Final, official honor designations will be reflected on the Athens State transcript and on the Athens State diploma.

**PLEASE CONTACT THE OFFICE OF RECORDS AT 256-233-8131
WITH ANY QUESTIONS REGARDING GPA OR HONORS.**

- Honor medallions will be available in the University Bookstore for purchase after April 16, 2019. **Please purchase your honor medallion prior to May 4, as they will not be available to purchase on graduation day.** The cost is \$15.

**IF YOU ARE A MEMBER OF AN HONOR SOCIETY – YOU MUST CONTACT YOUR
HONOR SOCIETY ADVISOR TO OBTAIN AN HONOR CORD/SASH**

DIPLOMAS WILL NOT BE DISTRIBUTED AT THE GRADUATION CEREMONY.

ALL DIPLOMAS WILL BE MAILED BY May 20, 2019.

****Transcripts should be used to provide employers with proof of graduation. Graduation information should be posted on the transcripts by the Records Office a day or two after grades are due (May 1, 2019). If you need a transcript, please contact the Records Office at 256-233-8131.**

Dress: Men- slacks, collared shirt and comfortable shoes
Women- dress, skirt or slacks with a dressy blouse, and comfortable shoes

Photographs:

Village Photographers is pleased to be the official graduation photographer for your school. Village Photographers will take professional pictures of each and every graduate as they receive their diplomas and exit the stage at the graduation ceremony.

There is **no charge** for this service and there is **no obligation** to order. Free proofs will be sent by mail and e-mail about a week after the ceremony.

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If you have any questions about the ceremony, contact:

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molly.myhan@athens.edu

Graduates or guests who need special accommodations for the ceremony should contact the Office of Academic Affairs before April 19, 2019 at 256-233-8214.

To graduates who had a student loan while attending Athens State University, the Financial Aid Office would like to remind you that the Federal Government requires you to complete ***exit counseling*** at Studentloans.gov.

Announcements and class rings

You may order these from the Athens State Bookstore: www.athensstatebookstore.com

Athens State University Class Rings



Graduation Announcements



Questions? Contact us at 256-233-8249 or send us an email: bookstore@athens.edu

UNIVERSITY BOOKSTORE

On the campus of Athens State University – Student Center

Phone: 256-233-8249

Fax: 256-233-8259

Email: bookstore@athens.edu

Hours

MON - THUR

9:30 AM – 4:30 PM

FRIDAY

9:30 AM – 3 PM

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CLOSED

**The University Bookstore will also be open the day of graduation from 7:00 AM - 3:00 PM