



SUMMER 2016 COMMENCEMENT

Saturday, August 6, 2016

9:00 a.m.

Founders Lawn

Eligibility

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

Ceremony

- Caps, gowns and tassels can be purchased from the University Bookstore anytime between now and August 5, 2016. The total cost is \$35 plus tax.
- Tickets are not required for the ceremony, and there is no limit to the number of guests invited.
- Report to Griffin Theatre, McCandless Hall, at 8:00 a.m. for line-up and instructions.

Honors

Students who have earned at least 45 hours of Athens State University credit at the end of the graduation semester are eligible for Honors.

- **Honors designations recognized at the ceremony and listed in the program will be determined by the Athens State GPA as of the end of the previous semester based on the following:**
 - 3.50-3.69 - *Cum Laude* (bronze medallion)
 - 3.70-3.89 - *Magna Cum Laude* (silver medallion)
 - 3.90 - 4.0 - *Summa Cum Laude* (gold medallion)
- **Honors printed on your transcript and posted on your diploma will be determined by the final Athens State GPA.**

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

- Honors medallions will be available in the University Bookstore for purchase beginning July 26, 2016. 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.
THEY WILL BE MAILED BY AUGUST 26, 2016.**

****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 (August 3). If you need a transcript, please contact the Records office at 256-233-8131.

If you have any questions about the ceremony, contact:

OFFICE OF ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

256-233-8214

Molly.Myhan@athens.edu or Tina.Hicks@athens.edu

Graduates who need special accommodations for the ceremony should contact the Office of Academic Affairs before July 29th, 2016. If one of your guests needs special accommodations, you should also contact the Office of Academic Affairs.

In the event of inclement weather, the ceremony will be held in the Carter Physical Education Center Gymnasium. The decision to move the ceremony will be made by 12:00 p.m. on August 5th and notification will be posted on Athens State's home page.

Dress: Men – wear slacks and comfortable shoes
Women – wear slacks, dresses/skirts 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.

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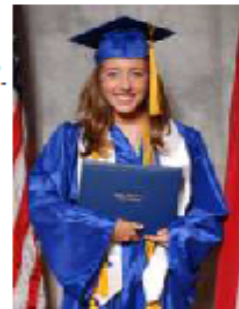
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Athens State University Class Rings



Graduation Announcements



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

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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 – 5:30 PM

FRIDAY 9:30 AM – 3 PM

SAT & SUN CLOSED

**The University Bookstore will also be open the day of graduation from 7:30 AM -11:00 AM.

*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.*