



# SUMMER 2017 COMMENCEMENT

Saturday, August 5, 2017

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, 2017. The total cost is \$40 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 25, 2017. 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 21, 2017.****

**\*\*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](mailto:Molly.Myhan@athens.edu) or [Tina.Hooks@athens.edu](mailto:Tina.Hooks@athens.edu)

**Graduates who need special accommodations for the ceremony should contact the Office of Academic Affairs before July 28<sup>th</sup>, 2017.** 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 4<sup>th</sup> and notification will be posted on Athens State's home page.

**Dress:** Men – wear a collared shirt, 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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## Announcements and class rings

You may order these from the Athens State Bookstore: [www.athensstatebookstore.com](http://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](mailto: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](mailto: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](http://Studentloans.gov).*