

GRADUATION EVENT GUIDE



May 22, 2021
Virtual Commencement

GRADUATION WEEK

May 17–22, 2021

[Connect.PurdueGlobal.edu/virtualgraduation](https://connect.purdueglobal.edu/virtualgraduation)

MONDAY, MAY 17	Virtual Photo Booth (Available May 17–22)
TUESDAY, MAY 18	Purdue Global Instagram Contest
WEDNESDAY, MAY 19	Virtual Graduation Fair 7:00–8:00 pm ET
THURSDAY, MAY 20	Last Lecture 7:00–8:00 pm ET
FRIDAY, MAY 21	Purdue Global Facebook Contest
SATURDAY, MAY 22	Commencement (Ceremony times will be provided by May 1)

PREPARE FOR GRADUATION

SPOTLIGHT OPPORTUNITIES – DUE MARCH 26

Celebratory Photos and Videos: Showcase your achievement! Selected entries will be shown during the ceremonies. See photo and video instructions.

National Anthem Contest

- Sing the National Anthem for your graduation ceremony.
- [Submit audition video here.](#)
- [View official contest rules on Graduation Center.](#)

INVITE GUESTS TO WATCH

Email Invitation: An editable invitation will be emailed by mid-April. Personalize and print/email your invitation for guests. Any guest with the ceremony link is able to watch.

DECORATE

View the Decorate and Celebrate at Home section on the [Graduation Center](#) for printable posters, yard signs, cake decorations, and more.

QUESTIONS

Email graduation@purdueglobal.edu or use the virtual graduation page chat box on commencement day.

GRADUATION DAY

VIEWING INSTRUCTIONS

- Visit [Connect.PurdueGlobal.edu/virtualgraduation](https://connect.purdueglobal.edu/virtualgraduation).
- Log in 15 minutes early to ensure everything is working properly.
- Ceremony times will be provided by May 1.

INTERACTIVE OPPORTUNITIES

- **PG Proud Sign:** Choose one word to describe how you feel on graduation day and write it on the enclosed PG Proud sign. Share a photo to the PG Facebook page on graduation day.
- **Ceremonial Tassel Turning:** At the end of the ceremony, the Chancellor will prompt graduates for the ceremonial tassel turning. A cap and tassel are included in this packet for you to participate in this part of the ceremony from home.
- **Text Live:** Text 847-232-6556 and your congratulatory message will be visible during the Graduate Recognition portion of the ceremony.
- **Shout Out Board:** Post a congratulatory message or photo on the Graduation Shout Out Board during the ceremony.
- **Live Comments:** Post a congratulatory message in the comment section while viewing the ceremony on Facebook.
- **Facebook, Instagram, Twitter:** Follow Purdue Global on social media. Use the hashtag #PurdueGlobalProud to show off your school pride for a chance to be featured on our channels.

ENCLOSED IN THIS CEREMONY KIT

Cap and tassel, PG Proud Sign, Alumni Association gift (includes Cheers decal for toast), celebration props.
For eligible graduates: military coin, nursing pin, academic honor cord (qualifying associate's and bachelor's degrees).

Graduation Week

Celebrations

[CONNECT.PURDUEGLOBAL.EDU/VIRTUALGRADUATION](https://connect.purdueglobal.edu/virtualgraduation)

MONDAY, MAY 17

Virtual Photo Booth | May 17-22

Photos, Boomerangs, GIFs

Scan QR code or visit purdue.vbooth.me/booth/l6Da00GB



TUESDAY, MAY 18

Instagram Contest

WEDNESDAY, MAY 19

Graduation Fair | 7:00-8:00 pm ET

Live Video Chats

Deans / Faculty / Career Services / Registrar / Alumni / Graduation Team

Shout Out Board

Win Purdue Global Gear

Virtual Toast

THURSDAY, MAY 20

Last Lecture | 7:00-8:00 pm ET

"What wisdom would you impart unto the world if you knew it would be your last chance?"

Last Lecture presented by a PG professor, nominated by the graduating class

FRIDAY, MAY 21

Facebook Contest

Tune into PG's social media pages for daily trivia, social contests, fun filters and much more!



REQUIREMENTS FOR ALL PHOTO AND VIDEO SUBMISSIONS

- **ATTIRE** (including cap decorations)
 - Appropriate for an academic audience (business casual or full regalia)
 - Military uniform cannot be accepted due to Department of Defense guidelines
- Background: Nature or simple and uncluttered
- No added text or graphics on the photo/video
- Submit original photo (not a screenshot) and do not crop as this affects resolution
- **TIPS:** Use natural lighting; opt for basic hair/makeup

Email
graduation@purdueglobal.edu
 with questions.

Spotlight Opportunities (optional)

Showcase your achievement! Selected celebratory photos and videos will be shown during the ceremonies.

SUBMIT HERE BY MARCH 26

WATCH INSTRUCTIONAL VIDEO

	TASSEL TURNING VIDEO	CELEBRATORY VIDEO	HOMETOWN VIDEO	CELEBRATORY PHOTO	#PGPROUD PHOTO
ATTIRE OR PROPS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cap with Tassel • Business Casual or Cap/Gown 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Business Casual or Cap/Gown 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Business Casual or Cap/Gown 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Business Casual or Cap/Gown 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Write-On Sign <i>In ceremony kit or print from Grad Center</i> • Business Casual or Cap/Gown
DETAILS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Graduate Only • Video • 10 seconds 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Graduate or Group • Video • 10 seconds 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Graduate Only • Video • 10 seconds • Location Ideas: Backyard, favorite landmark, place of employment 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Graduate or Group • Photo (jpg) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Graduate Only • Photo (jpg)
INSTRUCTIONS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tassel starts on RIGHT • Hold phone in RIGHT hand • Hit Record • State name • Smile 3 seconds • Using LEFT hand, move tassel from right to left • Smile 3 seconds • Stop recording 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hit Record • State name • Smile 3 seconds • CELEBRATE! Wave, cheer, clap, hug, show degree • Smile 3 seconds • Stop recording 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hit Record • Smile 3 seconds • State only FIRST name and location: <i>City/state, state only, or country if outside of U.S.</i> • Smile 3 seconds • Stop recording Sample: <i>I'm Alex from Chicago, IL</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Photo of you celebrating or showing your degree 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Using #PGProud sign, write one word that describes how you will feel on graduation day • Take photo of you with sign <p>Examples: Unstoppable, Confident, Empowered, Thankful, Accomplished</p>