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# 2026 graduation ceremony dates, locations for Boston-area colleges

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If you walk down a street in Boston this month, chances are you'll see at least one [college graduate](#) in a cap and gown – either scurrying to [commencement](#) or stopping to take photos at their favorite local spots.

After all, it's college graduation season in Massachusetts.

With [roughly 100 colleges and universities](#) across the state, there's typically a sense of excitement in the air throughout April, May, and June as graduates prepare to move their tassels from one side to the other.

As one of the college capitals of the world, Greater Boston is set to host dozens of commencement ceremonies over the next few months.

[Harvard University](#), the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Boston University, and Boston College are all scheduled to hold their ceremonies on their respective campuses. Some smaller colleges will host their commencements at venues such as Leader Bank Pavilion in Boston's Seaport or MGM Music Hall at Fenway.

And as Boston swells with families, friends, and other special guests, the city's streets are bound to be busier than usual. Below is a list of when and where many major Boston-area college commencement ceremonies will take place this year.



### **2026 graduation dates, locations for Boston-area colleges**

This list includes several Boston-area colleges and their main undergraduate commencement ceremony times and venues this year, aggregated from each institution's website. Some schools also hold smaller, department-specific ceremonies, which are not listed here.

#### **Thursday, April 16:**

- [Wentworth Institute of Technology](#) (1 p.m., MGM Music Hall in Boston)

#### **Wednesday, April 29:**

- [Northeastern University](#) (4 p.m., Fenway Park in Boston)

#### **Thursday, May 7:**

- [Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences](#) (10:30 a.m., 2:30 p.m., Leader Bank Pavilion in Boston)

#### **Saturday, May 9:**

- [Berklee College of Music](#) (10 a.m., Agannis Arena in Boston)
- [Emerson College](#) (7 p.m., Wang Theatre in Boston)
- [Emmanuel College](#) (1 p.m., MGM Music Hall in Boston)
- [Fisher College](#) (11 a.m., Back Bay Events Center in Boston)

- [MGH Institute of Health Professions](#) (10 a.m., 2 p.m., Boston Convention and Exhibition Center in Boston)
- [Regis College](#) (10 a.m., Leader Bank Pavilion in Boston)

**Friday, May 15:**

- [New England Law Boston](#) (11 a.m., Wang Theatre in Boston)
- [Olin College](#) (2:30 p.m., Olin Campus Great Lawn in Needham)
- [Roxbury Community College](#) (1 p.m., Reggie Lewis Center in Boston)
- [Simmons University](#) (9 a.m., 1 p.m., MGM Music Hall in Boston)
- [Wellesley College](#) (10:30 a.m., Severance Green in Wellesley)

**Saturday, May 16:**

- [Babson College](#) (9:45 a.m., Babson College in Wellesley)
- [Benjamin Franklin Cummings Institute of Technology](#) (10 a.m., Reggie Lewis Track and Athletic Center in Boston)
- [Bentley University](#) (9:30 a.m., Bentley University Football Field in Waltham)
- [Endicott College](#) (10 a.m., Hempstead Stadium in Beverly)
- [Lasell University](#) (11 a.m., Lasell University in Waltham)
- [Lesley University](#) (9 a.m., 11 a.m., 1 p.m., 3 p.m., Lesley University South Quad in Cambridge)

**Sunday, May 17:**

- [Boston University](#) (1 p.m., Nickerson Field in Boston)
- [Brandeis University](#) (9 a.m., Gosman Sports and Convocation Center in Waltham)
- [Curry College](#) (10 a.m., Walter M. Katz Athletic Field in Milton)
- [New England College of Optometry](#) (11 a.m., Symphony Hall in Boston)
- [New England Conservatory of Music](#) (2 p.m., Jordan Hall in Boston)
- [Suffolk University](#) (9 a.m., 1:30 p.m., 5:30 p.m., Leader Bank Pavilion in Boston)
- [Tufts University](#) (9 a.m., Tufts University Green in Medford)

**Monday, May 18:**

- [Boston College](#) (10 a.m., Alumni Stadium in Chestnut Hill)

**Thursday, May 21:**

- [Bunker Hill Community College](#) (11 a.m., MGM Fenway Music Hall in Boston)
- [Massachusetts College of Art and Design](#) (1 p.m., Leader Bank Pavilion in Boston)

**Friday, May 22:**

- [Boston Architectural College](#) (11 a.m., Berklee Performance Center in Boston)

**Thursday, May 28:**

- [Harvard University](#) (9:30 a.m., Harvard Yard in Cambridge)
- [Massachusetts Bay Community College](#) (6 p.m., MassBay Wellesley Hills in Wellesley)
- [Massachusetts Institute of Technology](#) (3 p.m., Killian Court in Cambridge)
- [UMass Boston](#) (9:30 a.m., UMass Boston Campus Center Lawn in Boston)

**Saturday, May 30:**

- [Urban College of Boston](#) (1 p.m., Emerson Cutler Majestic Theater in Boston)

**Sunday, May 31:**

- [Hebrew College](#) (11:45 a.m., Hebrew College in Newton)

**Sunday, June 7:**

- [Cambridge College](#) (4 p.m., Leader Bank Pavilion in Boston)

**Sunday, June 14:**

- [William James College](#) (11 a.m., Hilton Boston Park Plaza Hotel in Boston)

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