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Due to the ongoing concerns regarding COVID-19, on March 20, 2020, the University announced it would be necessary to postpone the in-person May 28 commencement exercises

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Welcome

We welcome you to the official website of Harvard University's Commencement Office. Here you will find [schedule](#) and [logistical](#) information, links to ordering [regalia](#), [accessibility](#) related content, links to Commencement sites at the [professional and graduate schools](#), and [background](#) regarding one of our community's most cherished and oldest traditions.

Additional information will be shared here as we approach May but if you have questions regarding information that is not covered, please contact the Commencement Office at commencement@harvard.edu. Thank you.

Commencement Office, Harvard University

Notice

Important Notice Regarding the impact of COVID-19 on Commencement

Harvard has been closely monitoring the COVID-19 outbreak as well as guidance set forth by the CDC, and the University's recommendations have been evolving quickly as the situation unfolds. The Office of the President [announced](#) that our community will not host Commencement exercises in person this May. We recognize how disappointing this is - especially for our students and their family and friends. Understanding why we must move forward this way does not make it any less difficult, but the health and safety of our community is paramount.

If there are further updates to Commencement and related activities, the University will post updates [here](#). Thank you for your patience and understanding during this time.

To stay up to date on Harvard's response to the outbreak, visit the [University's COVID-19 website](#), which will be updated with information as it becomes available.

Gates and Bag Policy

Gates will open on Commencement Morning at 6:45 AM. A ticket is required to gain entry into Tercentenary Theatre, the site of the Commencement Morning Exercises. All persons, bags, and personal items are subject to inspection before entering Harvard Yard. No backpacks of any type will be admitted. No bag or item larger than 12 x 12"x 12" will be permitted inside the Yard.

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