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GRADUATES!

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Spring Graduation Newsletter

# DON'T FORGET!

It's time to reserve your Cap & Gown and  
Order your Announcements & Class Ring  
To place your order, please click on the following link:

[WWW.HERFFJONES.COM/COLLEGE/KING](http://WWW.HERFFJONES.COM/COLLEGE/KING)

Reserve Your Cap & Gown Online:  
DEADLINE MARCH 5TH

\$25.00 late fee after March 5th will apply!

No Orders after April 23rd

Questions: Contact Susan Marshall at [sdmarsha@king.edu](mailto:sdmarsha@king.edu) or (423) 652-6006



# Schedule of Events

## Intent to Graduate Form

Monday, February 1st - Deadline to turn in 'Intent to Graduate' form.

**See your King email for notification of missing application**

## Cap and Gown Order

Friday, March 5th - Deadline for ordering caps and gowns  
\$25 late fee for orders after this date

**No orders accepted after Friday, April 23rd**

## Marching Status

Wednesday, March 17th - Deadline to request to march early or change marching status

## Commencement Service

Saturday, May 1st at 10 a.m. - Graduates line up for Commencement on the Oval (Bristol, TN Campus)

### Degree Groups for AM Ceremony:

#### **Associate of Arts**

**Bachelor of Arts** (Biology, Business, Digital Media, English, History, Elementary Education, Political Science/History, Security and Intelligence Studies, Spanish, and Youth Ministry)

#### **Bachelor of Business Administration**

**Bachelor of Science** (Biology, Chemistry, History, Information Technology, Mathematics, Psychology, and Religious Studies)

#### **Master of Business Administration**

#### **Master of Education**

Saturday, May 1st at 2:30 p.m. - Graduates line up for Commencement on the Oval (Bristol, TN Campus)

### Degree Groups for PM Ceremony:

**Bachelor of Science** (Communication, Criminal Justice, Exercise Science, Health Informatics, Healthcare Administration, and Sport Management)

#### **Bachelor of Science in Nursing**

#### **Bachelor of Social Work**

#### **Master of Science in Nursing**

#### **Doctor of Nursing Practice**

**\*Schedule is subject to change**



# Don't Forget to RSVP for Commencement by March 19, 2021

To make this event and celebration of your academic accomplishments possible, we must follow several guidelines provided through the CDC and the Tennessee Department of Health as they relate to the ongoing COVID pandemic. These adjustments require offering two ceremonies on the day of May 1st to accommodate 3 semesters of students graduating, and social distancing simply requires more space.

Although we plan on incorporating as many memorable aspects of graduation as possible, certain strictures must be observed in order to protect the safety of our graduates, their families, and our employees at King. Therefore, commencement will consist of the following requirements:

- \*To ensure proper social distancing, each graduate attending Commencement will be provided 4 guest tickets. This includes children of any age.*
- \*Other friends and family members can view the live ceremony at <http://webcast.king.edu>*
- \*In the case of significant rain, the event will be canceled or rescheduled.*
- \*Masks will be required for all attendees.*
- \*If possible, we encourage attendees to arrive in one vehicle. A parking pass will be provided.*

These requirements necessitate the institution to have a precise count of those who will be attending graduation. In the coming weeks, all graduates attending commencement will receive additional information regarding their cap and gown, tickets, and directions.

Please check your King email on a frequent basis for continuing updates and instructions regarding commencement.

**Check your King email for the link to RSVP by March 19, 2021.  
You will be prompted to log in with your King credentials.**





# Academic Honors

Academic honors will be determined by the undergraduate student's King grade point average. In addition, certain departments also require honors candidates to undergo an external examination.

## Latin Honors

Graduates who have completed a minimum of 62 semester hours of graded coursework at King (*excluding PLA, and pass/fail credits*) will be eligible for the following Latin honors:

- GPA meeting or exceeding 3.500: cum laude
- GPA meeting or exceeding 3.700: magna cum laude
- GPA meeting or exceeding 3.900: summa cum laude

## Honors With Distinction

Students who have completed 48-61 hours of graded coursework at King with an institutional grade point average of 3.70 or higher will graduate 'With Distinction' in their given field.

## Graduate Level Honors

Students in a Master or Doctoral program are not eligible for academic honors. Students within these programs are required to maintain an A/B level GPA at all times during their program.

## HONORS FOR GRADUATION CEREMONY:

The GPA at the end of 10 weeks, during the student's last semester, will be used to announce anticipated honors during commencement exercises. Students who are approved to march early will not have expected honors announced.

Summa cum laude graduates will receive a gold honor cord at the graduation ceremony.

**Note: Official honors will be noted on the diploma.**





# TORNADO ALLEY SHOPPE

[Click Here to view store website](#)

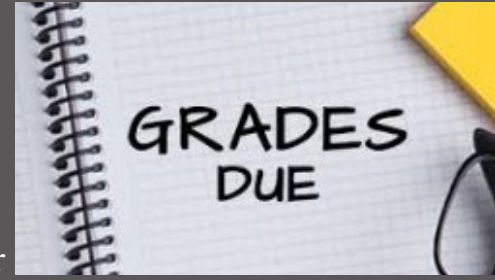
King University Diploma Frames are available in the Tornado Alley Shoppe for \$95.00 (+ tax)

# Additional Information

## Courses from Outside Institutions

Students taking courses from another institution within their graduation semester need to be aware that grades for such courses are due no later than Wednesday, May 5th.

Failure to meet this deadline could not only hold up conferral of the degree but also the release of transcripts. Students are responsible for making arrangements with professors at other institutions to complete course requirements early if that is necessary in order to meet the King University deadline.



## Family Diploma

A graduating student who has a parent or guardian that is a member of the King University faculty, staff, or Board of Trustees may request that the parent deliver the diploma case during commencement in lieu of the President. The student should make the request in writing to The Office of Academic Affairs [academicdean@king.edu](mailto:academicdean@king.edu) no less than two weeks before Commencement.



## Veterans and Active Military

We acknowledge graduates who have provided great service to our country by bestowing upon them red, white, and blue honor cords. Veterans and Active Military are given the braided cord to wear around the neck at the commencement exercises.



## Accommodations

Several hotels are located within a few miles of our campus.



**Courtyard by Marriott Bristol**

3169 Linden Drive  
Bristol, VA 24202  
(276) 591-4400



**The Bristol Hotel**

510 Birthplace of Country Music Way  
Bristol, VA 24201  
(276) 696-3535



**The Sessions Hotel**

833 State Street  
Bristol, VA 24201  
(276) 285-5040



# Diplomas



King University's Office of Registration and Records is focused on helping you progress to your next educational endeavor or career milestone.

The university has expanded our partnership with Parchment to combine our printed diplomas with a secure digital version. Digital awards offer many benefits for you. You now can view and share your degree with just a few clicks.

With Parchment, the leader in e-transcript exchange, the digital diploma is sent, and delivered electronically, securely, and confidentially. Just like the Parchment e-transcript service, the Blue Ribbon Verified PDS is an official record of your credentials. This type of verification ensures none of the information in the credential has been altered.

Once all degrees have been conferred, a notice will be sent to your King email account. The digital diploma allows you to share your accomplishments on social media sites such as Facebook, Instagram, Snapchat, Twitter, and LinkedIn. We encourage you to promote your talents in places where employers and future King Students will see.

In addition to your digital diploma, we are excited to provide you with a paper diploma. Official paper diplomas will be mailed your **home address** on file within 10 to 14 business days after you have received your digital copy.

## Diploma FAQ's

### What name is printed on my diploma?

Your name will appear on your diploma as indicated on your "Intent to Graduate" form.

### How is my diploma sent to me?

Diplomas are sent via USPS to the HOME address on file. If your address is incorrect, you will need to contact the Office of Registration and Records before the date of conferral to change your address.

### Can I order an additional diploma?

To order additional copies of your diploma you will need to send an email to registrar@king.edu. There is a \$30 fee for all request.

### **Diplomas only list the degree earned, not the student's program of study.**

*(Associate of Arts, Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Business Administration, Bachelor of Science, Bachelor of Science in Nursing, Bachelor of Social Work, Master of Business Administration, Master of Education, Master of Science in Nursing, Doctor of Nursing Practice)*