



UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND
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2024 STEP-BY-STEP GUIDE TO SPRING GRAD WALK

Grad Walk is an intimate, in-person, graduation experience where the focus is on YOU—the graduate—AND your friends and family who join you for the event. Your name will be called and you will walk across the stage in regalia, take photos, and meet university leaders as your guests cheer you on from a reserved viewing area near the stage. Afterward, there will be a Celebration Zone with multiple photo opps and more. The entire Grad Walk experience runs approximately one hour.

WHEN



May 9–12, 2024

Register in advance to reserve your preferred date and time.



To have the best experience, we suggest you bring no more than **six guests**.

WHERE



College Park Marriott Hotel & Conference Center

3501 University Boulevard East
Adelphi, MD 20783



Complimentary parking available.
Carpooling recommended.

WHAT TO WEAR

A cap and gown are required for graduates.

Order from
umgc.shopoakhalli.com



Associate/Bachelor's/Master's
Purchase: No later than **April 14, 2024**

Doctoral
Purchase: No later than **March 25, 2024**
Rental: No later than **April 14, 2024**

SPRING GRAD WALK IN FOUR EASY STEPS

STEP 1

Arrive!

Arrive at your appointment time, gather your entire party, and proceed to the line, where you will be directed to Check-in.

STEP 2

Check In and Join Fellow Graduates in Line

Receive your name card at Check-In and proceed with your guests to the waiting area for the commencement stage.

STEP 3

Enjoy Your Big Moment!

Give your name card to the on-stage guide, wait for your cue, and walk to the center of the stage as your name is announced. UMGC leadership will congratulate you and hand you a diploma folder. The moment will be captured by our professional photographer while your guests, who will be standing in a reserved viewing area near the stage, take photos and videos.

STEP 4

Visit the Celebration Zone

Enter the Celebration Zone and meet UMGC Alumni Association representatives; purchase UMGC GEAR, flowers, and other mementos; and take photos and selfies at photo stations. Share them on social media with #UMGCgrad!

COVID-19 PROTOCOLS

UMGC will comply with local COVID-19 regulations and CDC guidance in effect at the time of the event. Updates provided as needed.

Vaccination recommended but not required. Please wear a mask if unvaccinated.

Social distancing and masks strongly encouraged for all.

FIND OUT MORE



Watch our **Grad Walk video**.



Email UMGC Commencement Services:
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