

The below email was sent on March 19, 2020, to students who has confirmed participation in the Spring 2020 commencement ceremony in San Diego, CA.



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***In an effort to ensure everyone who was planning to attend the 2020 Spring commencement is informed, this message is being resent.***

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Dear Student,

As we continue to monitor the spread of the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) and the guidance provided by official public health agencies, guaranteeing the health and safety of our faculty, staff, and students remains paramount.

**With this in mind, we have made the difficult decision to postpone our Spring 2020 Commencement and combine it with our Fall 2020 ceremony. The Fall Commencement date and location have not been finalized.**

Once we have this information, the graduation website will be updated. Although we are deeply disappointed that we will not be able to celebrate graduates this spring, we hope that you will join us in the Fall to be recognized for your inspiring achievements.

We understand that in preparation to attend the Spring commencement, many of you may have purchased regalia/announcements or made hotel reservations. Please check the [Ashford University graduation website](#) for further direction on addressing these concerns. Information will be posted as soon as it becomes available.

If you are looking for current information on the COVID-19 or preventative steps we can each take to remain healthy, we encourage you to review the [Centers for Disease Control and Prevention - About Coronavirus Disease 2019 \(COVID-19\)](#) and the [World Health Organization - Coronavirus disease \(COVID-19\) advice for the public](#).

As always, if you are in need of additional academic support related to COVID-19, please reach out to your Academic Advisor at your earliest availability to discuss your unique needs. If you have concerns for your wellbeing or are in need of assistance with accessing supportive services in your area, please reach out to the Student Advocate Helpline at [HELP@Ashford.edu](mailto:HELP@Ashford.edu) to request contact from a Student Advocate.

Take good care and thank you for your commitment to the wellbeing of our community!

Sincerely,

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