

CGU Student Commencement Speaker Application 2025

1. Applicants for the CGU Student Commencement Speaker must meet the following eligibility requirements:
 - a. Students/alumni who received their degrees* during the Summer and Fall semesters that immediately precede the current Spring semester and who have not participated in a previous ceremony for the same degree.
 - b. Students graduating during the Spring semester who have not participated in a previous ceremony for the same degree.
**Degrees are defined as master's or doctoral degrees. Students who received or are receiving a certificate only are not eligible to participate in the commencement ceremony.*
2. The selected student speaker must be present at the commencement ceremony on May 17, 2025.
3. Applicants must provide the following:
 - a. Completed application scanned into a PDF file format.
 - b. Resume/CV in PDF file format
 - c. Hi-Res professional headshot photo (300 dpi) in .jpg file format.
 - d. Typed biography (no more than 250 words) in a .docx file format. This biography will be published on the CGU Commencement webpage and promoted by Senate.
 - e. Typed 3-minute (minimum) speech in a .docx file format. Speech should include brief background of speaker and provide a charge to the 2025 CGU graduating class. We encourage applicants to center the 2025 commencement theme of *Harnessing AI for Transformative Change and Justice* in their speech.
 - f. Applications missing any of the above information will not be considered.
4. Upload the scanned application, professional photo, resume/CV, brief biography, and typed 3-5-minute speech to the Form found on the CGU Student Senate Web page.
6. Application is **due on February 15, 2025 at 11:59 pm (PT)**. No exceptions will be made.

Please proceed to page 2 to fill out the application form.

Applicant Name

Last Name _____ First Name _____ M.I. _____ School/
Department/ Program _____

Degree _____ Phone/ Cell _____

CGU E-mail _____ Student ID _____

Applicant's Signature _____ Date: _____

Advisor or Dean of School's Statement

I, _____ confirm that _____ has
graduated or will be graduating according to the CGU Commencement Participation Policy.

*Contact CGU's [Writing Center](#) for help in preparing the application requirements & speech delivery.