Graduation Eligibility

Students anticipating graduation must petition to graduate from the Peabody Conservatory by completing a form provided by the Office of the Registrar. The petition clarifies the student's name for the diploma and reserves or releases space at the commencement ceremony. The petition also initiates several important processes, including a final audit of credits, a clarification of contact information, and a review of the student's account. Students should submit this petition to the Registrar's Office in the fall semester of the year in which they intend to graduate, and no later than January 15 of that year.

To be approved for graduation, students must satisfy all degree requirements including IP grades, settle all financial obligations, and resolve any and all outstanding charges of misconduct and violations of academic ethics. No student may participate in the commencement ceremony unless that student is approved for graduation.

The Peabody Conservatory awards degrees and diplomas at a commencement ceremony in May of each year. Students may complete the requirements for a program after commencement and have their registration status changed to “requirements complete.” However, they will not officially graduate from the Conservatory until the following May commencement.

Students pursuing five-year degree programs should refer to the degree requirements for special clarifications about commencement.