

**INSTITUTIONAL POLICY: GA-20**

**CATEGORY:** General Administration

**SUBJECT:** Graduation Dates

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** February 1, 1990

**LAST REVISION DATE:** September 16, 2006

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The West Virginia School of Osteopathic Medicine Commencement shall take place the last Saturday in May of each year.

Students who complete the requirements for graduation after May 31 of a calendar year may petition the Vice President for Academic Affairs and Dean to participate in the May Commencement ceremony providing their anticipated completion date occurs prior to December 31 of that year. A diploma will not be granted at that ceremony. For students completing the requirement after the May date of graduation, diplomas shall be dated on the day in which all requirements are met. The school Registrar shall be responsible for delivery of such diplomas.

Students may submit a written request to the Vice President for Academic Affairs and Dean no less than 30 days in advance of commencement to participate in the graduation activities including commencement with the class with which they have been associated. No participation will be allowed unless approved by the Vice President for Academic Affairs and Dean.