



OFFICIAL STATEMENT

Madonna University Commencement Student Speaker Selection Process

Each year, Madonna University Commencement includes a Student Speaker to represent the graduating class. The Dean of each College or School nominates up to 3 students for consideration. Members of the graduating class may also apply for consideration. As representatives of the entire student body, Student Senate selects one Commencement Student Speaker annually.

Process

1. Deans from each College/School are invited to submit up to 3 student nominations per academic year by emailing student.senate@madonna.edu
 - College of Arts & Sciences
 - School of Business
 - College of Education & Human Development
 - College of Nursing & Health
2. Students nominated by their respective College/School Dean receive a communication to encourage them to submit their application.
3. Members of the current graduating class are also be encouraged to apply for Commencement Student Speaker
 - a. The selection process will be posted via QR code link at Student Affairs Office, Student Life Office, digital media, etc.
4. Student Speaker applications should include a resume and written speech.
 - a. Applications are due on March 7th each year
 - b. Email to student.senate@madonna.edu
5. Interviews (in-person or zoom) are conducted by the Student Senate Review Committee.
6. The Commencement student speech must be delivered in-person at Commencement.
7. The Commencement Student Speaker is announced by April 1st.

Timeline

February 21-25	Announce Student Speaker Selection Process
February 28	Deans submit all nominations to Student Senate
March 1-4	All nominees are contacted and encouraged to apply
March 7	All applications are due
March 14-21	Selection Committee reviews applications
March 23-30	Conduct interviews
April 1	Announce final decision

For questions, please email student.senate@madonna.edu