



Schedule of Commencement Activities 2020

MANDATORY: Meeting for graduating seniors

Tuesday, March 3, 12:00–12:50 p.m.
Epperson Auditorium

In this meeting we will discuss important details about the graduation ceremony, turn in measurements for cap/gown, pick up announcements, etc.

Please do not attend if you have a scheduled class at this time. Contact Nancy Eastman at registrar@kcai.edu if you are unable to attend due to class.

MANDATORY: Graduation Survey

Tuesday, March 3–Friday, May 15

Graduation survey available for students to complete online. You will be sent an email with instructions on how to complete the survey.

Student Commencement Speaker: Submit your application of interest

Deadline: Wednesday, April 1

Are you interested in representing your graduating class by speaking at commencement? Submit your speech to Nancy Eastman at registrar@kcai.edu.

BFA Exhibition Opening Reception

Friday, April 6, 6–8:00 p.m.
H & R Block Artspace, 16 East 43rd Street

MANDATORY: EXIT LOAN COUNSELING

Exit counseling is required for any SENIOR who has received a Direct and/or Perkins Loan. Please call the Financial Aid Office at 816-802-3337 to reserve your space in ONE of the counseling sessions listed.

Thursday, April 16

11:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.
Epperson Auditorium

Tuesday, April 21

11:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.
Epperson Auditorium

Wednesday, April 22

11:00 a.m.–11:50 p.m.
Epperson Auditorium

Thursday, April 23

11:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.
Epperson Auditorium

Please do not attend if you have a scheduled class at these times. If these times/dates conflict with your class schedule, contact Financial Aid for assistance at financialaid@kcai.edu.

Frame by Frame Festival (Animation)

Thursday, May 3, 7 p.m.

Doors open at 6:30 p.m.

The Nelson-Atkins Museum of Art, Atkins Auditorium, 4525 Oak Street

Friends and Family Reception (Graphic Design)

Friday, May 15, 4 p.m.-5:30 p.m.

Irving Building, room 121

MANDATORY: Completed BFA #2 application due

Friday, May 15

Registrar's Office, Vanderslice Hall, first floor

Friday, May 15**REHEARSAL/RECEPTION DAY**

2020 Compendium Reading

12:00 p.m. - H & R Block Artspace, 16 East 43rd Street, Kansas City, MO

MANDATORY: Commencement Rehearsal

2:30-4:00 p.m.

Unity Temple on the Plaza, 707 West 47th Street, Kansas City, MO

CAPS AND GOWNS ARE DISTRIBUTED AT COMMENCEMENT REHEARSAL.

Please do not attend if you have a scheduled class at this time. We will make arrangements for you to get your cap/gown at another time/date. Contact the Registrar's Office for assistance, registrar@kcai.edu.

Graduation Reception and BFA Exhibition Closing

5-7:00 p.m.

H & R Block Artspace, 16 East 43rd Street, Kansas City, MO

The reception is for ALL graduates and guests regardless of the student's participation in the BFA exhibition.

Saturday, May 16**COMMENCEMENT DAY**

Class and Individual Photos AND Prepare for Ceremony

8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

Students assemble at The Unity Temple on the Plaza in your cap and gown for class/departmental and individual photos. The website for photos will be emailed to each graduate after the ceremony.

Commencement Ceremony

10:00 a.m.

Unity Temple on the Plaza, 707 West 47th Street, Kansas City, MO

Doors open at 9:00 a.m. for guest seating. Guests may also view the ceremony live online. Please click [here](#) to view the day of.

Ceremony concludes

11:15–11:30 a.m.

Should you wish to gather with family/friends/faculty, the Bloch Cancer Survivor's Park is just west of the Unity Temple. Follow 47th street west and the park is located at 48th & Roanoke.

****Please note that the schedule of events is subject to change and this list may not include all academic events for each major. Graduates, please consult with faculty for additional information. Parents/guardians/family members, please consult with your students.***

*****Please refer to the 2020 Annual BFA Exhibition schedule for details and a timeline regarding the exhibition.***