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## Spring commencement scheduled May 10 for nearly 1,180 graduates

*Chancellor, students, alumni to speak in three ceremonies at Johnson Fieldhouse*

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Menomonie, Wis. – Spring commencement will be held for 1,174 graduates on Saturday, May 10, at University of Wisconsin-Stout.

A total of 952 undergraduate and 222 Graduate Studies students will receive degrees.

Three ceremonies will be held at Johnson Fieldhouse:

- 9:30 a.m., [College of Arts and Human Sciences](#)
- 1:30 p.m., [College of Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics and Management](#)
- 5 p.m., [Graduate Studies](#)

The ceremonies can also be seen via livestream on the UW-Stout [commencement website](#) and at the Memorial Student Center.

**Provost Glendalí Rodríguez** will host the ceremonies. **Chancellor Katherine Frank** will provide remarks to the graduates and confer degrees.

Three graduating students will speak:

- **Megan King**, of Menomonie, [studio art](#), CAHS speaker
- **Francis Kaunda**, of Lilongwe, Malawi, [real estate property management](#); [business administration](#), CSTEMM speaker
- **Srimukhi Margaret Vemavarapu**, of Medchal, India, [master's in food science and technology](#), Graduate Studies speaker

Three alumni will also be guest speakers. CAHS undergraduates will be addressed by [Northwood Technical College](#) President **John Will**, [Ed.D. in career and technical education](#), 2017. CSTEMM undergraduates will be addressed by [Kraus-Anderson](#) Senior Vice President **Rich Jacobson**, B.S. in industrial technology, 1998. Graduate Studies will be addressed by Wakanda Elementary School Principal **Diane Schofield**, [M.S. in education](#), 2007.

The ceremonies will include music by the UW-Stout Symphonic Band, directed by **Erika Svanoe**; the Jazz Orchestra, directed by **Jim Anderson**; and the Chamber Choir, Symphonic Singers and Devil Tones Acapella, directed by **Jerry Hui**.

### **More information**

Students and members of the UW-Stout community can share comments and photos on UW-Stout social media platforms using the hashtag #StoutGrad2025.

Diplomas will be mailed to students four to six weeks after final grades are issued.

For more information, contact **Commencement Coordinator Bethany Risler**, 715-232-1279, or email [commencement@uwstout.edu](mailto:commencement@uwstout.edu).

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### **Photos**

Nearly 1,180 students will graduate from UW-Stout on Saturday, May 10.

A student and their family celebrate outside of Johnson Fieldhouse.