

MISSOURI SOUTHERN

STATE UNIVERSITY

VICE PRESIDENT FOR ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

August 26, 2026

Dear Class of 2026:

Congratulations, Fall Graduates! The faculty, administration, and the Board of Governors join me in wishing you much success as you complete your degree work. Degree conferral and diploma issuance will occur at the end of the semester after The Office of the Registrar verifies all degree requirements have been satisfied.

We are excited to celebrate all your hard work in December! You are invited to attend the Fall 2026 Commencement Ceremony as we honor graduates receiving their associates, baccalaureate, and master's degrees. There will be one ceremony on **Saturday December 12, 2026, in Leggett & Platt Athletic Center at 10 a.m.** for:

- Graduates of College of Arts and Sciences
- Graduates of College of Business, Communications, and Technology
- Graduates of College of Health, Life Sciences, and Education
- Graduates of Bachelor of General Studies
- Graduates of Bachelor of Applied Science

Regalia: Graduates attending commencement are required to wear appropriate regalia.

Grad Expo: Graduate applicants are invited to attend **Grad Expo on Wed. October 7th from 10 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.** in Billingsly Student Center 2nd floor hallway. At this event, you can order your regalia for the ceremony. More details will be sent out in the coming weeks.

Graduation and Commencement Webpage: [Commencement, Diplomas, & Graduation](#)

The Office of the Registrar will be sending out more details regarding graduation and the commencement ceremony. You may contact them at registrar@mssu.edu, 417-625-9514, or Hearn Hall 101 with any questions.

Congratulations!

Dr. Lisa Toms
Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs