## **Current Policy - Participation in Commencement Ceremonies**

Central Connecticut State University holds one undergraduate Commencement ceremony annually at the end of the Spring semester.

Any undergraduate student who has filed a graduation application for Spring or Summer, and whose Spring degree evaluation confirms that the student is registered to complete all degree requirements by the end of the semester that they have filed for graduation, will be allowed to participate in the Spring Commencement ceremony.

Any undergraduate student who has filed a graduation application for Spring or Summer and whose Spring degree evaluation confirms that the student will have completed all but nine (9) or fewer credit hours required for the degree by the end of the Spring semester will be allowed to participate in the Spring Commencement ceremony.

Any undergraduate student who has filed a graduation application for Fall or Winter, and subsequently completes all coursework and graduates, will be invited to participate in the following Spring's Commencement ceremony.

Undergraduate students, who have filed a graduation application for Spring or Summer, and have more than nine (9) credit hours of work remaining will not be allowed to participate in the Commencement ceremony. However, in the case of extraordinary circumstances, such as family or health emergencies, students may appeal to the Vice President for Academic Affairs or designee. The student may be required to provide supporting documentation in making such an appeal. The decision of the Vice President for Academic Affairs or designee is final.

## **Proposed Policy – Effective 2018-2019 Participation in Commencement Ceremonies**

Central Connecticut State University holds a Commencement ceremony in May for students who will complete their graduation requirements in the Spring or Summer. A ceremony is held after the Fall semester for students who will complete their graduation requirements in the Fall or Winter Intersession. Students must apply for graduation for the semester that they anticipate completing their final graduation requirements.

Any undergraduate student who has filed a graduation application for Spring or Summer, and whose Spring degree evaluation confirms that the student is registered to complete all degree requirements by the end of the semester that they have filed for graduation or are within six (6) credit hours of degree completion, will be allowed to participate in the Spring Commencement ceremony.

Any undergraduate student who has filed a graduation application for Fall or Winter Intersession, and whose Fall degree evaluation confirms that the student is registered to complete all degree requirements by the end of the Fall or Winter Intersession, will be allowed to participate in the Winter Commencement ceremony.

In the case of extraordinary circumstances, such as family or health emergencies, students may appeal this policy to the Vice President for Academic Affairs or designee. The student may be required to provide supporting documentation in making such an appeal. The decision of the Vice President for Academic Affairs or designee is final.