# Petition for M.S. and M. Eng. Students to Participate in Commencement Prior to Degree Completion

Master of Science and Master of Engineering degree-seeking students may petition the Dean of Graduate Education to participate in the commencement ceremony prior to completing their degree.

**Student name:** _____ **Student ID:** _____
(Please type or print clearly)

**Current program:** _____

Petition requests are typically granted only if the following conditions are met (check the appropriate box next to each question):

| | Yes | No |
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| 1. I have completed all of the research, if any, for my thesis or project topic. | ☐ | ☐ |
| 2. I have substantially completed writing major portions of my thesis/project report (if any). | ☐ | ☐ |
| 3. I expect to defend my thesis/project, if any, by the deadline listed in the graduate catalog of the next semester. | ☐ | ☐ |
| 4. My entire committee has agreed to the tentative defense (or non-thesis presentation), if any, on the date of _____. (Date) | ☐ | ☐ |
| 5. I have completed all of the courses necessary to complete my degree. | ☐ | ☐ |
| 6. I am submitting this petition to the Office of Graduate Education no later than 30 days prior to the last day of the semester. | ☐ | ☐ |
| 7. I understand that the 2 credit minimum registration is required in each semester until all graduation requirements are met. | ☐ | ☐ |
| 8. I understand that if this petition is approved, I will be considered a graduate of the semester in which I fulfill all graduation requirements. | ☐ | ☐ |

**Comments:**

**Student Signature:** _____ **Date of Request:** _____

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| **Major Professor (print)** | **Signature** | **Date** |
| _____ | _____ | _____ |
| **Program Coordinator or Dept Head (print)** | **Signature** | **Date** |
| _____ | _____ | _____ |
| **Dean of Graduate Education (print)** | **Signature** | **Date** |

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