

## **AR 4100.9 Commencement (New AR#)**

❖ **From former AR 4350 Graduation Requirements (old AR#)**

### **Commencement**

Associate degrees, Bachelor degrees and Certificates shall be conferred upon students who have satisfactorily completed the requirements by the Board of Trustees of Santa Monica College. [A graduating student may request that the District confer the diploma in the student's chosen name without requiring legal documentation.](#)

Commencement ceremonies are held once each year at the end of the Spring semester for students that have completed or are expected to complete their degree/certificate requirements. Students who completed their degree requirements during the Spring or preceding Summer, Fall, Winter, or students who will complete a maximum 8 units in the Summer to meet remaining graduation requirements, are eligible to participate in Commencement.

[Do students only have to petition for graduation and can then participate in commencement or are there any other steps? Caps & Gowns?](#)

Education Code Sections 66055.8, 66746-66749, 70901, 78040-78043;

Title 5 Sections 40402-40403, 55002, 55009, 55022, 55052, 55070-72, 55250, 55270, 56032-56044 and 55060 et seq.

[Reference: AR 4100, 4100.1, AR 4100.2, AR 4100.3, AR 4100.4, AR 4100.5, AR 4100.6, AR4100.7, AR 4100.8 and AR 4100.10](#)

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