

COMMENCEMENT 2022 UPDATE AND ADVISORY
March 11, 2022

GRADUATES AND GUESTS

Potential guests who are fully vaccinated but not eligible for the COVID-19 booster by April 7, 2022 **will be allowed to attend the ceremony with proof of vaccination uploaded to the registration portal.** These individuals must follow the established process for gaining admission to the ceremony.

Parents and guardians who wish to attend Commencement and have an existing official medical or religious exemption from receiving the COVID – 19 vaccine must provide proof of exemption status in order to be cleared for attendance. Please include the graduate's full name and HU ID number on the request and email this proof to Healthcenter@hamptonu.edu by **April 7, 2022** for review. The final disposition will be emailed.

HU ONLINE STUDENTS

Full time students who are currently enrolled in **HU ONLINE** and who are eligible to participate in the Hampton University May 2022 Commencement may submit a request for a medical or religious exemption for the COVID-19 vaccination to Healthcenter@hamptonu.edu. The link is below. The deadline to submit the exemption request is **April 7, 2022**. The final decision of the Review Committee will be emailed to you.

[HU Online Student Exemption Form](#)

HU ONLINE Students who would like to submit a medical exemption request should submit a letter on office letterhead from your medical provider that states that the medical provider deems it medically contraindicated for you to receive the COVID – 19 vaccine. The letter must include the medical rationale specifically stating why the vaccine is contraindicated for you. The letter should include your full name and your date of birth. The letter must be signed and dated by the provider. The religious exemption request form is attached.

If granted a medical or religious exemption, HU Online students must upload the approval document to the registration portal for graduation to access tickets. This step must be completed after you receive the exemption approval document in order for your ticket to be generated.

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