

FAQs

How much is the graduation fee?

The graduation fee is a non-refundable \$35.00.

The graduation fee is assessed to both graduate and undergraduate degree students at BGSU each time a student applies to graduate. It is used to defray the cost of processing candidates for graduation, printing and mailing diplomas, and conducting the commencement ceremonies held each May, August, and December.

If a student does not graduate or decides not to graduate, the \$35 fee does not cover the next application.

When will I be billed?

You will be billed the \$35.00 graduation fee by the Bursar's Office after your graduation application is submitted. The fee will be applied as a charge to your student account and billed with any other outstanding expenses you may owe to BGSU. You may view your student bursar account activity on MyBGSU under the link "Bursar View Bill/Pay" and current activity by clicking the link on the bill page titled "Your transactions since this bill was produced."

Do I have to pay the fee if I am not attending the graduation ceremony?

Participation in the commencement ceremony is optional. Students must pay the non-refundable commencement fee regardless of their participation or lack of participation in the commencement ceremony. Failure to pay the fee may result in your final grades, transcript and diploma being withheld until your financial obligation is fulfilled.

The commencement fee is required whether or not you choose to attend the ceremony.

Does the graduation fee cover the cost of my cap and gown?

The graduation fee offsets the costs associated with the commencement ceremony, diplomas and diplomas covers. The graduation fee does not cover the cost of the cap and gown worn at commencement.