



May 12, 2020

Dear honored graduate of Global University,

As the worldwide COVID-19 situation continues to create ongoing challenges and uncertainties, we keep you, your families, and your communities in prayer for health, security, and peace.

We at Global University are committed to your safety and well-being, but we are also committed to a meaningful recognition of your hard work and accomplishments—even as adjustments are necessary in this unusual time. We have considered the current situation, the projected long-term impacts, and the goal to provide a high-quality event. As a result, Global University has made the decision to not host a commencement ceremony in Springfield this October. Be assured, however, that alternate plans are fully underway to celebrate and honor you, our graduates, in an adjusted manner. This year's GU Commencement will occur as follows:

- **Virtual Commencement Kit:** A curated box with your regalia, diploma cover, and other celebratory items can be sent to you upon request. Please contact commencement@globaluniversity.edu if you would like to order one.
- **Online Commencement Event - Friday, October 23:** Global University will host an online virtual ceremony for students, their families, and guests to view. Additional details to come soon.

This decision was made to protect the health and well-being of our students, their families, and our communities. Our hope is to both facilitate an independent celebration of your incredible achievement now, and host a more traditional, in-person ceremony in 2021. Students are welcome to participate in either or both of these options.

We know that precise details are important, and that you may have questions. As plans develop, we will share updates. Please feel free to contact us at commencement@globaluniversity.edu or 417-862-9533, extension 2888.

God bless!

Gary L. Seevers Jr., PhD
President

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Provost

"I have told you these things, so that in me you may have peace. In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world." –John 16:33