26. CONVOCATION DATES, DEGREES, DIPLOMAS, AND CERTIFICATES

a. Students **must** file an Application for Graduation (https://www.smu.ca/webfiles/GraduationApplication_SMU.pdf) from a specific academic program, with the Service Centre by the dates stipulated by the Registrar's Office and as listed in the University Calendar of Events. If during the course of the student's final academic year at the University, a change is made in the Faculty or in the type of program in which the student is enrolled (i.e., from honours to major), it will be necessary for the student to notify the Service Centre of the change to their program.

b. There are three convocations annually, January, May and September/October, with ceremonies held at each. Once all requirements are completed, students must graduate at the next Convocation. Students are permitted to receive two parchments at one Convocation only in the following instances, namely, registered in two Baccalaureate Degrees (see Academic Regulation 24 (https://smu-ca-public.courseleaf.com/undergraduate/academic-regulations/regulations/second-undergraduate-degree/)) or a degree and diploma/certificate program.

c. Students are required to obtain the academic regalia appropriate to their academic program at the times, dates and locations indicated on the graduation web site at https://smu.ca/academics/graduation.html. Students will not be permitted to convocate if they are not attired appropriately and in the academic regalia designed for their particular academic program at Saint Mary's University. Exceptions to the academic attire may be granted for culturally appropriate reasons.

d. The parchment shows the academic designation (i.e., degree, diploma, or certificate) as well as any academic distinction (as defined in Academic Regulation 28 (https://smu-ca-public.courseleaf.com/undergraduate/academic-regulations/regulations/distinctions/)) which has been conferred but not the major, area of concentration, or minor. This, however, is noted in the students' official academic record and hence appears on any transcript issued, whether official or unofficial. The subject of honours is shown on the parchment.

e. The University grants the following degrees:

Degree Description	Abbreviation
Bachelor of Arts	B.A.
Bachelor of Commerce	B.Comm.
Bachelor of Environmental Studies	B.E.S.
Bachelor of Science	B.Sc.
Master of Applied Economics	M.A.E.
Master of Applied Health Services Research	M.A.H.S.R.
Master of Arts	M.A.
Master of Business Administration	M.B.A.
Master of Finance	M.Fin.
International Master of Teaching English	IMTE
Master of Management - Cooperatives & Credit Unions	M.Mgt.
Master of Science	M.Sc.
Master of Science in Computing & Data Antalytics	M.Sc. CDA
Master of Technology Entrepreneurship and Innovation	M.TEI
Doctor of Philosophy in Astronomy	Ph.D.
Doctor of Philosophy in Applied Science	Ph.D.
Doctor of Philosophy in Business Administration - Management	Ph.D.
Doctor of Philosophy in Industrial and Organizational Psychology	Ph.D.
Doctor of Philosophy in International Development Studies	Ph.D.
Doctor of Civil Law, Honoris Causa	D.C.L.
Doctor of Commerce, Honoris Causa	D.Comm.
Doctor of Education, Honoris Causa	D.Ed.
Doctor of Fine Arts, Honoris Causa	D.F.A.
Doctor of Laws, Honoris Causa	LL.D.
Doctor of Letters, Honoris Causa	D.Litt.
Doctor of Science, Honoris Causa	D.Sc.

The University grants the following diplomas and certificates:

Degree Description	Abbreviation
Certificate in Atlantic Canada Studies	Cert. A.C.S.
Certificate of Chinese Studies	Cert. C.S.
Certificate in Forensic Sciences	Cert. F. Sc.
Certificate of Proficiency in French	Cert. Fren.
Certificate of German Language and Culture	Cert. G.L.C.
Certificate in Health, Wellness and Sport in Society	Cert. H.W.S.S.
Certificate of Human Resource Management	Cert. H.R.M.
Certificate of Honours Equivalency	Cert. Hons.
Certificate of Linguistics	Cert. Ling.
Certificate of Japanese Studies	Cert. J.S.
Certificate of Spanish and Hispanic Culture	Cert. S.H.C.
Certificate in Mathematical Sciences for Education	Cert. M.S.E
Cooperative Education Certificate	Coop.
Post-Baccalaureate Certificate in Applied Economics	PBCAE
Diploma in Engineering	Dip.Egne.
Graduate Diploma in Co-operative Management	G. Dip Mgt.

f. Details of the University's policies on the reissuing of parchments are available from the Registrar.

g. Students whose accounts with either or both of Financial Services or the Library Systems are in arrears may be denied the right to graduate until the debt is cleared.