



**PRESS RELEASE: More than 1,000 to Receive Degrees at Fall 2013  
Commencement Ceremonies**  
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Included below is a release announcing information for Fall 2013 commencement ceremonies that will take place at Ferris State University in the Ewigleben Sports Complex on Saturday, Dec. 14 in Big Rapids. Any media requests regarding this release can be directed to Sandy Gholston, News Services and Social Media Manager.

To read the online version of this story, visit:

<http://www.ferris.edu/HTMLS/news/archive/2013/december/commencement.htm>

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BIG RAPIDS – Ferris State University will award academic degrees to more than 1,000 students at the close of the Fall 2013 semester.

Of the more than 1,000 students to receive degrees, nearly 600 are expected to participate in commencement ceremonies on the Big Rapids campus on Saturday, Dec. 14 in the Ewigleben Sports Complex. Commencement begins at 10 a.m. with ceremonies for the colleges of Arts and Sciences, Education and Human Services, and Engineering Technology. Doors for the first session open at 9 a.m. The second session commences at 1:30 p.m. to recognize graduates from the colleges of Business and Health Professions. Doors open at 12:30 p.m. Kendall College of Art and Design, Michigan College of Optometry, College of Pharmacy and Doctorate in Community College Leadership graduates participate only in May commencement ceremonies.

In addition to the more than 1,000 students who will graduate in Big Rapids, Ferris' Kendall College of Art and Design will award degrees to 70 graduates.

Dr. Avesh Raghunandan, an MCO professor and the 2013 recipient of the Distinguished Teacher Award, will speak to students as part of commencement ceremonies on Dec. 14. For more information about Raghunandan, and his award as the distinguished teacher for 2013, visit: <http://www.ferris.edu/HTMLS/news/archive/2013/may/raghunandan.htm>

All students who plan to participate in December commencement receive eight tickets. No extra tickets are distributed by the Commencement Office or the individual commencement

coordinators in the colleges. Lost tickets will not be replaced. Guests who do not have tickets may watch the ceremony via live stream on the Commencement Office website or on a large screen from an alternate viewing room inside of the Ewigleben Sports Complex.

Tickets are required to attend all commencement ceremonies. For more information about commencement, visit: <http://www.ferris.edu/HTMLS/current/Commencement/index.html>.

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