



### **Student Commencement Speaker Nomination form**

Do you know a Georgia Gwinnett College student with an inspiring story about their journey to graduation? We're looking for students who have overcome challenges—personal, academic, financial, or otherwise—and whose determination has led them to this milestone. What obstacles has the student faced and conquered? How has their resilience shaped their college experience? How has the GGC environment with all its resources, including faculty and staff, helped them in their personal development?

The Outstanding Student Speaker Committee is soliciting nominations for student speakers for the fall 2025 commencement ceremony. Please nominate a student(s) who exemplifies the core values of GGC—Scholarship, Leadership, Service, Creativity-- who has a message to share and who is comfortable addressing a large audience. Send nomination forms to [Teresa Araque](mailto:taraque@ggc.edu) (taraque@ggc.edu), Director of Public Relations, by Friday, Oct. 10, 2025. The committee will interview the nominated students. Please be sure the student(s) is aware of and supports their nomination. The student(s) will need to prepare a 5-7 minute commencement speech and present that speech to the committee on Oct. 24. Nominated students should come to the Oct. 24 meeting dressed in business attire.

**Student Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **ID#** \_\_\_\_\_

**School:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Major:** \_\_\_\_\_

Please indicate which core values the student exemplifies.

- **Scholarship:** The student exemplifies the core value of excellence in academics. *The student does not have to have the highest GPA.*
- **Leadership:** The student exemplifies leadership by serving as a role model for other GGC students, family, workplace. *The student does not need to lead a student organization to be a leader.*
- **Service:** The student has demonstrated service to the community.
- **Creativity:** The student has demonstrated creativity in academics, co-curricular, or extracurricular activities.

**Please provide a brief summary of this student's merit as a commencement speaker.**