Pearl: Hi! Welcome to the “Timeline to Degree Conferral” video. My name is Pearl Kuang.
Zach: And I’m Zach Wells. We are academic peer counselors at Eleanor Roosevelt College.
The purpose of this video is to go over the timeline of the degree conferral, where your diploma will be sent to, how to request transcripts, and frequently asked questions.
Due to the high volume of DDA’s received every quarter, the major department, ERC Advising, and the Registrar’s Office each has up to 30 days to review and approve degree audits. The estimated total processing time for a DDA is 90 days, starting from when official grades are posted for that quarter. This is when you can expect your degree to post to your transcript and for your diploma to be mailed to you shortly after.

For example, for Fall quarter DDAs, official grades are posted at the end of December. With the 90-day processing timeline, Fall degrees are estimated to be conferred around mid to late March. For Winter quarter DDAs, conferral is in late June, Spring quarter conferrals are mid-September, and Summer quarter conferrals are approximately mid-November. It is important that you are aware of when your degree will be conferred depending on your graduation quarter for your planning purposes.
In the final step of the DDA process, the Registrar’s Office officially confers your degree and orders your diploma to be mailed to your permanent address listed on TritonLink. You may, at any time, make changes to your permanent address on TritonLink.

Just go to TritonLink, click on MyTritonLink, sign-in, go to the Personal Tools tab at the top of the page, and choose Addresses.
Your official transcript is the document you use as proof of your degree. Be aware that UC San Diego does not provide letters of completion to any student before a degree is officially conferred on the transcript. The Registrar’s Office does not automatically mail an official transcript with your diploma. You must submit an online request and you can find the instructions on the Registrar’s Office website. Please note that a transcript for proof of degree can only be ordered after the degree has been fully processed.
The university does not provide letters of completion. ERC Advising urges you to notify your graduate school programs, prospective employers, and any other agencies regarding proof of your degree about the university’s degree processing timeline. If you are sending official transcripts from other institutions to be added to your UC San Diego records, this can delay degree processing if they are not received and posted to your academic record in a timely manner.
Congratulations! We hope this information has been useful. If you have further questions, please check out our other videos on the Graduation Requirements page.