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SMU to host its first face-to-face graduations after two years of virtual ceremonies.

The year 2019 was the last year where higher education institutions hosted face to face graduation ceremonies due to the outbreak of Covid-19. Sefako Makgatho Health Sciences University (SMU) was equally affected, with the 2020 and 2021 graduation ceremonies conducted virtually.

However, after the National State of Disaster was terminated by Cabinet on the 4th of April, the University will be hosting its first face-to-face graduation ceremonies. This year's graduation ceremonies are scheduled to take place from the 25-27 May 2022 at the SMU Sports complex.

As indicated on the table below, a total of 1435 students will graduate, with a total of 16 Doctoral degrees in 4 of the 5 SMU Schools.

SCHOOL OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY	
Undergraduate Degrees	411
Honours Degrees	107
Masters Degrees	12
Doctoral Degrees	8
TOTAL	538
SCHOOL OF HEALTH CARE SCIENCES	
Undergraduate Degrees	218
Postgraduate Diplomas	16
Masters Degrees	31

Doctoral Degrees	3
TOTAL	268
SCHOOL OF PHARMACY	
Higher Certificates	4
Undergraduate Degrees	71
Masters Degrees	26
Doctoral Degrees	1
TOTAL	102
SCHOOL OF MEDICINE	
Higher Certificates	6
Undergraduate Degrees	282
Honours Degrees	77
Masters Degrees	73
Doctoral Degrees	4
TOTAL	442
SCHOOL OF ORAL HEALTH SCIENCES	
Undergraduate Degrees	73
Postgraduate Diplomas	4
Masters Degrees	8
Doctoral Degrees	0
TOTAL	85
GRAND TOTAL	1435

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