IMPORTANT INSTRUCTIONS FOR CREIGHTON GRADUATES

May 15, 2010  Spring Commencement Ceremonies

- Graduates robe and line up at the Qwest Center Omaha in Hall A which is located off of the Grand Hallway. Please arrive at 8:30 a.m. for the 9:30 a.m. ceremony and at 12:30 p.m. for the 1:30 p.m. ceremony.

  9:30 a.m.
  College of Arts and Sciences
  College of Business
  Emergency Medical Services Education
  School of Law
  Graduate School

  1:30 p.m.
  School of Nursing
  School of Pharmacy and Health Professions
  School of Dentistry
  School of Medicine

- Line up, using the printed program, in the area designated by the sign bearing the name of your school/college.

- Leave valuables at home or with family members. Your coat may be placed on the racks and/or tables provided in the Graduate Line-Up Area.

- Leave plastic and hangers from your regalia on the tables in the Line-Up Area, not in the bathrooms.

- The tassel on your cap goes on the right and stays there.

- Professional level candidates wear their hoods, except Ph. D. candidates; they carry the hood draped over the left forearm for investiture on stage.

- Stay in your line and in correct order during the procession. The faculty and stage party members will process in after you. Please face the aisles as they march in as a mark of respect.

- The Associate Marshal leading your line will usher you into your seating area. When it is time, he/she will direct you to line up for crossing the stage. Please keep the line continuous with no breaks; do not lag behind.

- At the stage ramp, give your name to the marshal. Then walk up the ramp and pause at the top. The Grand Marshal there will tell you when to move forward. Do not move forward until YOUR name is announced. The person reading the names may have lost his or her place and read a name out of order. **Wait until YOUR name is announced.**

- Then proceed across the stage, pause to shake hands with the President and receive your “diploma cover.” Your photo will be taken at that moment. Then proceed across the stage and shake hands with your dean before you descend the stage ramp.

- You will then be directed to the areas where a 2nd and 3rd photo will be taken and then back to your seat.

- Please remain in your seat throughout the ceremony. Please be considerate; loud cheering for one student often means the name of the next student cannot be heard. Please do not throw items or take part in like behaviors.

- The ceremony will last about two hours. Afterward, return to the Graduate Line up Area in Hall A to return your regalia and pick up your diploma. The cap and tassel are yours to keep.

*Parking and shuttle information on back...*