

# Creighton UNIVERSITY **SPRING COMMENCEMENT**

May 12, 13 & 14, 2011

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## ALL-UNIVERSITY EVENTS

Brunch for Graduates & Families.....	Friday, May 13, 9 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., Skutt Student Center, Mutual of Omaha Ballroom
Baccalaureate Mass .....	Friday, May 13, 3 p.m., Kiewit Fitness Center
Commencement Ceremonies .....	Saturday, May 14, Qwest Center Omaha Arena, 455 N. 10th Street, Omaha, Neb.
9:30 a.m. Ceremony.....	College of Arts & Sciences, College of Business, Emergency Medical Services, School of Law and the Graduate School
1:30 p.m. Ceremony .....	School of Nursing, School of Pharmacy & Health Professions, School of Dentistry and School of Medicine

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## THURSDAY, MAY 12

### GRADUATE BUSINESS PROGRAMS

5:30 to 7 p.m. ....	Graduate Business Investiture Ceremony .....	Harper Center Hixson-Lied Auditorium
	Reception .....	Harper Center Ahmanson Ballroom

### SCHOOL OF MEDICINE

7 p.m. ....	Hooding.....	Qwest Center Omaha Grand Ballroom
9 to 10:30 p.m. ....	Reception.....	Qwest Center Omaha Grand Ballroom

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## FRIDAY, MAY 13

### COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCES

11:15 a.m.....	Honors Program Awards .....	Harper Center Hixson-Lied Auditorium
1 p.m. ....	College Awards .....	Harper Center Hixson-Lied Auditorium
4:30 to 6 p.m. ....	College Reception .....	Harper Center Outdoor Plaza (west and north sides)*

### SCHOOL OF DENTISTRY

1 p.m. ....	Awards.....	Joslyn Art Museum Witherspoon Concert Hall
5:45 p.m. ....	Hooding.....	Joslyn Art Museum Witherspoon Concert Hall
7 to 8:30 p.m. ....	Reception.....	School of Dentistry 2nd Floor (Webster Street Entrance)

### COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

1:30 p.m. ....	Awards.....	Lied Education Center for the Arts
4:30 to 5:30 p.m. ....	Reception.....	Reinert Alumni Memorial Library Garden Level**

### GRADUATE SCHOOL

<i>NEW TIME – 5 p.m.</i> .....	Hooding.....	Harper Center Hixson-Lied Auditorium
	Reception following .....	Harper Center Foyer (Level 2)

### UNIVERSITY COLLEGE

4:30 p.m. ....	Emergency Medical Services Education Reception.....	Harper Center Room 3023
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### SCHOOL OF NURSING

5:30 p.m. ....	Pinning and Hooding Ceremony .....	Kiewit Fitness Center
	Reception following .....	Skutt Student Center Mutual of Omaha Ballroom

### SCHOOL OF PHARMACY & HEALTH PROFESSIONS

5:30 p.m. ....	Hooding.....	D.J. Sokol Arena at the Ryan Athletic Center
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### SCHOOL OF LAW

5:45 p.m. ....	Hooding.....	Omaha Civic Auditorium Music Hall
	Reception following .....	Omaha Civic Auditorium Music Hall

### SCHOOL OF MEDICINE

6 p.m. ....	Senior Graduation Banquet .....	Hilton Omaha Ballroom
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### ADDITIONAL EVENTS ON FRIDAY, MAY 13

7:30 to 9 a.m.....	Alpha Sigma Nu Medallion Presentation and Continental Breakfast.....	Harper Center Room 3023
10 a.m. to Noon .....	R.O.T.C. Commissioning Ceremony and Reception .....	Lied Education Center for the Arts
10:30 to 11:15 a.m.....	Post-Graduate Volunteer and Religious Life Missioning Ceremony .....	St. John's Church

\* Rain location is Harper Center Ahmanson Ballroom.

\*\* Rain location is Becker Hall Upper Level.

## ALL-UNIVERSITY EVENTS

### GRADUATION BRUNCH – FRIDAY, MAY 13

Attendance at the Graduation Brunch requires a reservation. Formal invitations are sent to prospective graduates' families. If you have questions concerning the brunch, please call 402.280.1715.

### BACCALAUREATE MASS – FRIDAY, MAY 13

The Mass will be celebrated in the Kiewit Fitness Center at 3 p.m. All degree candidates, faculty, parents and family members are invited. There will be no procession; caps and gowns are not worn.

### COMMENCEMENT CEREMONIES – SATURDAY, MAY 14

The assembly times and locations for degree candidates and members of the stage party and faculty are as follows:

#### Morning Ceremony

Students and processional participants robe and line up at 8:30 a.m. in Hall A of Qwest Center Omaha. The ceremony will begin at 9:30 a.m.

#### Afternoon Ceremony

Students and processional participants robe and line up at 12:30 p.m. in Hall A of Qwest Center Omaha. The ceremony will begin at 1:30 p.m.

The ceremonies will last approximately two hours.

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## ACADEMIC REGALIA

Caps and gowns for degree candidates have been ordered from the Willsie Cap and Gown Company. Candidates must pick up their caps and gowns in Harper Center Rooms 3028 and 3029 on Thursday, May 12, or Friday, May 13, between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. Graduates will not be able to pick up their caps and gowns at any other time. Please direct questions to Troy Graves at 402.699.1471.

Each graduate may keep the cap with tassel, but must return the gown (and hood if a master's or doctor's degree is received) in satisfactory condition to the collection station in Hall A at the Qwest Center Omaha after the ceremony.

Forms to rent academic regalia are available to faculty members through the Dean's offices or at [www.creighton.edu/commencement](http://www.creighton.edu/commencement).

## GRADUATION ANNOUNCEMENTS

Graduation announcements may be ordered online at [www.creighton.edu/commencement](http://www.creighton.edu/commencement).

## DECORUM

Degree candidates and guests are expected to refrain from conduct that will detract from the dignity of the ceremony or endanger the safety of others. Fireworks and alcohol are strictly prohibited. Any person engaging in dangerous behavior will be removed and appropriate charges will be filed.

## DIPLOMAS

Diplomas will be distributed at the conclusion of each ceremony.

## HANDICAPPED ACCESSIBILITY AND SEATING

Commencement events are held in handicapped-accessible facilities. Handicapped parking is available in nearby parking areas. Degree candidates who have special needs are asked to contact the Office of Marketing and Public Relations at 402.280.2738. To request a wheelchair escort at Qwest Center Omaha contact 402.599.6708 a few days prior to the event. Wheelchair escorts based on availability.

## PARKING

Guests may park in any campus lot during the weekend. Campus parking maps are available at [www.creighton.edu/maps](http://www.creighton.edu/maps).

Commencement parking at Qwest Center Omaha is available on the streets (free on Saturdays) and in nearby lots and garages. The cost for lot parking is \$8. The cost for garage parking (when available) is \$12. Guests who have special mobility needs may be dropped off at the Arena entrance on 10th Street.

## PERSONAL BELONGINGS

Degree candidates are encouraged to leave valuables with family members during the Commencement ceremony.

## PHOTOGRAPHY • LIVE BROADCAST • DVD

Jolesch Photography will photograph each graduate receiving his or her diploma. Graduates will be e-mailed photo proofs within 10 days of the ceremony, with the opportunity to purchase photos. To ensure delivery of photo proofs, degree candidates are asked to provide the Registrar's Office the email address they will use **after** graduation. Photos may be viewed online at [www.jolesch.com](http://www.jolesch.com).

The ceremony will be broadcast live on Creighton's website at [www.creighton.edu/commencement](http://www.creighton.edu/commencement).

The form to order a DVD of the morning or afternoon ceremony can be downloaded at [www.creighton.edu/commencement](http://www.creighton.edu/commencement).

## SEATING

Commencement seating for guests will be on a first-come basis. Tickets are not needed for the ceremony. For the 9:30 a.m. ceremony, the doors will open at 8 a.m. For the 1:30 p.m. ceremony, the doors will open at 12:30 p.m.

## FIND A NEEDLE IN A HAYSTACK

Graduates are encouraged to make a plan with family and friends before the ceremony about where to meet **after** the event.

Thomas J. Shanahan, S.J.

Commencement Grand Marshal

Additional information can be found on the commencement website: [www.creighton.edu/commencement](http://www.creighton.edu/commencement)