

# IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR CREIGHTON UNIVERSITY GRADUATES

Saturday, May 18, 2019 Commencement Ceremonies

## Cap and Gown Pickup

Thursday, May 16<sup>th</sup> and Friday, May 17<sup>th</sup>, 2019 | 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. | Mike and Josie Harper Center, Room 3029.

## BEFORE THE CEREMONY:

- Please leave **valuables** at home or with family members.
- Please **arrive at the CHI Health Center Omaha at 8:30 a.m.** for the 9:30 a.m. ceremony and at **12 p.m.** for the 1 p.m. ceremony. You will robe and line up in **Hall A** which is located off of the Grand Hallway.

### 9:30 a.m.

College of Nursing  
School of Pharmacy and Health Professions  
School of Dentistry  
School of Medicine  
PhD Graduates

### 1 p.m.

College of Arts and Sciences  
Heider College of Business  
College of Professional Studies  
Emergency Medical Services Education  
School of Law  
Graduate School

- **CHECK IN** at your school or college check in table immediately inside Hall A.
  - At your check in table **you will receive a reader card** with your name, degree(s) and a number.
  - **Line up** in your school's line up area in numerical order **by the number on your card**.
  - **DO NOT LOSE THIS CARD. YOU MUST TAKE IT TO THE STAGE TO HAVE YOUR NAME READ.**
- Restrooms are at the back of Hall A. Leave plastic and hangers from your regalia in the garbage cans provided in Hall A, not in the restrooms.
- The tassel on your cap goes on the right and stays there until the end of the ceremony when the President will direct all graduates to move it to the left side.
- Professional level and master's level candidates wear their hoods, except Ph.D. candidates; they carry the hood draped over the left forearm for investiture on stage.

## DURING THE CEREMONY:

- An **Associate Marshal** from your school or college **will lead you to your seats** in the arena. **Stay in your line** and in correct order during the procession.
- The faculty and stage party members will process in after you. As a mark of respect, **turn to face the aisles as they process in**.
- When it is time, your **Associate Marshal** will direct you to **line up to cross the stage**. Please keep the line continuous with no breaks; **do not lag behind**.
- At the bottom of the stage ramp, **check in with the staff assistant**. At the top of the ramp, **hand your reader card** to the Grand Marshal on stage. **Move forward as soon as your name is announced**.
- **Shake hands with the President**. Your photo will be taken at that moment.  
Then proceed across the stage to **shake hands with your dean and receive your diploma cover**.
- After you leave the stage, you will be directed backstage to **have your photo taken**. Marshals backstage will then direct you back around to your seat in the arena.
- 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. Do not throw items or take part in like behaviors.

## AFTER THE CEREMONY:

- **MORNING CEREMONY:** Graduates will recess out of the arena, led by the Associate Marshals. If you would like to **take photos** with your family while you are still in your regalia, you may do so **in the Grand Hallway**, but NOT in Hall A. **Return your regalia and pick up your diploma in Hall A.**
- **AFTERNOON CEREMONY:** Graduates will not recess out of the arena. They will simply stay on the arena floor and may greet family there, in the Grand Hallway or in Hall A for photos. **Return your regalia and pick up your diploma in Hall A by 4:30 p.m.**
- You may keep the souvenir mortarboard cap, tassel and hood. **Tams and gowns must be turned in.**
- If you would like to **purchase your tam**, you may do so when you return your regalia in Hall A. To purchase at a later date, contact Troy Willsie at [troygraves@frontiernet.net](mailto:troygraves@frontiernet.net) or call 402.699.1471.

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

### Parking:

University lots that are **west of 20th Street** are **available for parking free of charge** on **Friday and Saturday**.

Parking on campus can be challenging with more than 1,800 graduates and their families attending events. Please note the following locations where you may drop off guests for events:

- **Kiewit Fitness Center (Baccalaureate Mass)** - Drop-off at Deglman Circle on west side of 24th Street, between Cass and Burt streets.
- **Mike and Josie Harper Center** - Drop off on east side of building (20th Street), between Cass and Burt streets.

### Shuttles:

Shuttles will run between the McGloin Parking Lot and the CHI Health Center Omaha between 7:30 a.m. and 4 p.m. on Saturday, May 13. The McGloin Parking Lot is located on the north side of the 24th Street Parking Garage; enter the lot from Burt Street, just east of 24<sup>th</sup> Street.

### Photos:

Photos from hoodings and commencement may be ordered online at [events.lifetouch.com/creighton](https://events.lifetouch.com/creighton)  
Or call 800.505.9496, Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. EST.

### Live Stream:

The link for the commencement live stream is: <https://livestream.com/CreightonUniversity/Commencement2019>  
Viewing will be available on the commencement website following the event.

### Social Media:

Use #CreightonGrad to share your Commencement excitement! Post pictures from Senior Week, hooding ceremonies, congratulatory messages, family and friend photos, and more. Be sure to tag Creighton on Instagram, Facebook and Twitter.

Instagram: @Creighton1878

Facebook: Creighton University

Twitter: @Creighton | @CreightonPres