

Convocation Instructions for Students

1. Report to the Cowan Center NLT 0900.
2. Check in at the desk located in the center of the lobby. Sign in and pick up the orange ribbon which will hold your pin. You will be assigned a number on your 3 X 5 card (which you have brought with you); this is your place in line for the Processional.
3. Class pictures will be taken at 0930. Pictures are taken outside, one of the faculty will announce when to move outdoors.
4. Once pictures are taken, report back into the lobby. One of the faculty will assist you and your pinners in the lineup. Students are lined up Z to A in the north stairwell of the lobby.
5. A faculty marshal will lead you into the auditorium behind the Stage Party. Seating for students and pinners is located on the left hand side of the auditorium.
6. Just prior to pinning itself, you will be asked to stand one row at a time and proceed to the south corridor and up to the stage.
7. Hand your 3 x 5 card to Dr. Martin. She will announce you, who will be pinning you and where you will be working as a new graduate.
8. After being pinned, proceed to the table with the "Candle of Knowledge" on it, there you will pick up a candle and be escorted to a seat on the stage. The person who pinned you will exit the stage on the right and find a seat. In your seat you will find a copy of the "Nightingale Pledge".
9. Once all of the students are pinned, you will light your candles and be ready for a "photo op". Upon completion of this, the "Nightingale Pledge" will be recited.
10. The Recessional is headed by the Stage Party. Follow the faculty to the south lobby, where you will deposit your candles and pledges. From here, you are free until Commencement.