

## Commencement Ritual

Saturday, June 13, 2015

### 13. Conferring of professional/doctoral degrees

(following the presentation of candidates by the deans)

Regent Ayer steps to the microphone and says:

“On behalf of the Board of Regents and the faculties of the respective schools, I am pleased to confer upon these candidates their respective doctoral degrees. Congratulations. You have achieved high academic distinction, and this University salutes you. You will be presented today with a memento of this graduation exercise.”

Please come forward.”

After the citation, candidates seated in the two sections south (stage left) of the center aisle, march single file along the south outside aisle to the stage, presenting their name cards to the reading marshal. Those seated in the two sections north (stage right) of the center aisle simultaneously march along the north outside aisle to the reading marshal.

President Cauce, assisted by Mr. Seegert, will present mementos on the north side and Dean Eaton, assisted by Ms. Lovaas, will present mementos on the south side.

To honor these graduates, President Cauce and Dean Eaton will shake hands with each graduate receiving a memento.

All four will then be seated.

14. Conferring of master's degrees

(following the presentation of candidates by the Deans Eaton and Archibald)

Regent Ayer steps to the microphone and says:

"On behalf of the Board of Regents and the graduate faculty, I am pleased to confer upon each of you your master's degree.

Congratulations. You will be presented today with a memento of this graduation exercise."

"Please come forward."

President Cauce and Regent Ayer, assisted by Mr. Seegert and Mr. McDonnell respectively, will hand out mementos on the north side of the stage. Provost Baldasty and Dean Eaton, assisted by Ms. Lovaas and Mr. Williams, will be on the south side.

All eight will then be seated.

15. Conferring of bachelor's degrees

(following the presentation of candidates by the deans)

Regent Ayer steps to the microphone and says:

"On behalf of the Board of Regents and the faculty of the University, I am pleased to confer upon each of you your bachelor's degree. Congratulations. You will be presented today with a memento of this graduation exercise.

"Please come forward as directed by the marshals."

President Cauce and Regent Ayer, assisted by Mr. Seegert and Mr. McDonell respectively, will hand out mementos on the north side of the stage. Provost Baldasty and Dean Taylor (or other dean), assisted by Ms. Lovaas and Mr. Williams, will be on the south side.

All eight will then be seated.