## **Grand Marshals**

- I. Check in & Line up (12:00 p.m.): Check in at the Touchdown Terrace and enjoy the brunch. Pick up your velvet baton at the commencement table as you enter. Then proceed to either the north lineup area (northeast marshal #6) or the south lineup area (southeast marshal #7) on the Outdoor Practice Field. Refer to the Faculty Lineup Charts (NE or SE) and the Academic Procession Charts (NE or SE) available at rehearsal for your line-up position and go to that position. Grand Marshals lead the faculty procession. Prior to the procession you will ensure the faculty are lined up according to the Academic Procession chart. (Find links to these charts on the previous web page.) The chart should be followed exactly concerning the Divisional Deans and Award Winners, as they have specific seats on stage. Note also that the Seating Marshals will follow directly behind you.
- II. Processional (see diagram, p. 2): You will be told when to start the procession moving from the assembly area to the stadium. Marshals at the entrance to the stadium will tell you when to begin marching into the stadium. All lines are stanchioned. Please choose the third line from the field (see diagram) Follow the lines of march shown on your processional diagram. Try to keep pace with the Grand Marshal on the opposite side of the stadium. When you reach the front of the student seating area, you will take positions 6 and 7 and direct the faculty toward the stage. The seating marshals directly behind you will take up positions near the stage and help direct the rest of the faculty up the ramps. The doctoral marshals and candidates will arrive next, followed by the master's marshals and candidates. (Doctoral and master's marshals will sit with the candidates.) The college marshals, leading the bachelor candidates from various schools and colleges, will be next. After all candidates have been seated, remain at your position to direct the Deans Party to the south ramp (marshals 9 and 11) and, lastly, the President's Party to the north ramp (marshals 8 and 10). Seating and west end marshals will then arrive. Fall in behind them and proceed to your stage seats (see diagram).
- III. Recessional (see diagram, p. 3): After the President's and Deans parties have left the stage, the Grand Marshals will lead the remaining faculty off the stage to the area in back of the Touchdown Terrace along the routes shown on the recessional diagram (page 3) one on the north, one on the south. Stage marshals will direct you. Office of Ceremonies staff will be waiting in the Touchdown Terrace to take your baton.



