

Grand Marshals

- I. **Line up (12:00 p.m.):** Go through the faculty security check-in at either the Dempsey Indoor Practice Facility (northeast marshal - #6) or the Outdoor Practice Field (southeast marshal - #7). Pick up your velvet baton at the commencement table as you enter the line up area. Refer to the wall chart near the entrance 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 “Marching Order of Academic Procession” chart. (Find links to these charts on the previous web page.) Please note the chart should be followed exactly concerning the Divisional Deans and Award Winners, as they have specific seats on stage.

- 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. 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 immediately behind you to marshals 8 and 10 on the north, and 9 and 11 on the south (see diagram). 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 Dean’s Party to the south ramp (marshals 9 and 11) and, lastly, the President’s Party to the north ramp (marshals 8 and 10). The seating and west end marshals will then come up as a group. Fall in behind them and proceed to your seats via the path shown on your diagram.

- III. **Recessional (see diagram, p. 2):** Fall in behind the Deans’ Party. Exit the stage down the south center ramp and proceed to the west end of the stadium. From there you may disperse with the rest of the faculty or you may exit via the tunnel to the faculty dressing room.

NE Grand Marshal #6
Processional path

Grand Marshals – Processional and Recessional

SE Grand Marshal #7
Processional Path

