VITAL CONVOCATION INFORMATION FOR GRADUANDS
June 3, 2018

Baccalaureate Service
At 10:30 am in the Chapel: a festive worship celebration with Holy Communion. The offering at the worship service is designated to support Augustana Chaplaincy Annual Fund. Cheques may be made payable to: University of Alberta and marked Augustana Chaplaincy Annual Fund.

Convocation Luncheon
The luncheon starts at 11:30 am – 1 pm and will be held in the Cafeteria. Tickets: $12.00 per person, $6.00 per child (12 and under) can be purchased through the Online Store.

Convocation
2:30 pm in the Gymnasium: admission (except for you graduands) is by Reservation Card only.
If you have not already obtained Reservation Cards for your guests, please contact Tracy Anderson at the LAB (reservation cards are being issued because seating will be limited).

Procedures that will assist you graduands through this central event are as follows:

After lunch (1 – 1:30)
Please come to F1-305 to obtain your gown. Your mortarboard is made so that you can collect signatures from your classmates on the inside. The mortarboard is worn so that the top is parallel to the floor as you walk. The black tassel of your mortarboard is to be hanging over the front right edge. Corsages and boutonnieres are not worn on the gown for the ceremony.

Once you have obtained your gown in F1-305 you will be directed to the chapel where you may put it on and secure your place in the processional line. A diagram will be provided to show exactly where you are to sit in the gymnasium; this diagram will also illustrate the order in which you will line up so that you can arrive at the designated seat. All of these arrangements will ensure that you are in the right order for receiving your parchment in the ceremony.

2:20 The procession of graduands will join with the procession of Faculty in the Grand Hall.

2:30 The procession will enter the gymnasium and proceed to the assigned seating reserved for you.

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Grad Group Photo,
See Alumni Letter for more information.

Tree-Planting,
Right after the Convocation ceremony, northwest of the Chapel.

Alumni Reception
After the convocation ceremony refreshments will be served in three sections of campus, where department chairs and their faculty will host hors d’oeuvre receptions. You will find this a good time to say good-bye to your professors and friends.

Returning your gown:
As soon as possible after the reception, all gowns and hoods must be returned to F1-305 and in any case no later than 6:00 pm. Any graduate who fails to return their graduation gown or hood by 6:00 pm on the Sunday of Convocation will be automatically assessed a late penalty of $50. In addition any student who fails to return the gown or hood by 9:00 am on the Monday immediately following Convocation will be charged as well the full replacement cost of the garment, including GST, shipping and handling. In such a case, no transcript shall be issued for the student until the amount owing is paid in full.

Important Reminder Re: Outstanding Fees and Accounts
The degree parchment and transcripts are withheld until all amounts owing are paid in full. Please contact the Finance Office 780-679-1186 to clear all your outstanding fees.

Conclusion:
The ceremonies of Convocation are primarily intended to be the crown and celebration of your accomplishments at Augustana and we on the Convocation Steering Committee take great pleasure and pride in organizing them for you. We trust that you, your relatives, and friends will find Convocation a joyous and memorable occasion.

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