2017 Fall Convocation Information

As a potential or approved graduate for the Fall Convocation, the University of Regina looks forward to honouring your academic achievement at the upcoming Fall 2017 Convocation on Friday, October 20, 2017. Please review the following important information as it will help ensure that Convocation is an enjoyable and memorable experience for you.

If you successfully complete your degree/diploma/certificate requirements, and are approved by the necessary internal academic bodies, you will graduate as outlined below. To confirm your graduation status, contact your faculty or federated college. Please ensure your financial account is clear prior to Convocation, or your parchment may be withheld.

1. Ceremony Information

Location and Time
There will be one ceremony for faculties and federated colleges at 2:00 p.m. in the Main Theatre of the Conexus Arts Centre, 200A Lakeshore Drive, Regina, Saskatchewan.

As a graduate, you will enter by the Shumiatcher entrance at the southwest corner of the building, and assemble in the Shumiatcher Room at 12:30 p.m. PLEASE DO NOT BE LATE. It takes time to line up the procession and the ceremony will start promptly at 2:00 p.m. The student procession will proceed to the stage at 1:30 p.m. and will be in place on stage when the ceremony starts. Special assistance for a physical disability can be arranged by contacting Ange Arthur at the Registrar’s Office 306-585-4175 or UR.Graduation@uregina.ca.

Your guests will enter at the main entrance and are seated in the general audience. The doors open at 12:45 p.m. for rush seating. The Conexus Arts Centre is completely wheelchair accessible, with wheelchair seating available on the orchestra (main) floor of the theatre.

Important: The University of Regina is committed to creating a safe, comfortable, and enjoyable experience for all graduates and their guests. No artificial noise makers, air horns or megaphones may be used at the Conexus Arts Centre.

Guest Tickets
Tickets will be available starting on August 15, 2017. To claim your 2 guaranteed tickets, please login to UR Self-Service. You will find the link “Convocation Ceremony Guest Tickets” under the Student tab. You will be directed to the Conexus Arts Centre website, if you do not receive a confirmation to your email from Conexus, your order was not completed.

Each guest that comes to the ceremony must have a ticket (per fire regulations, regardless of age – infants included). Graduates do not need a ticket because they are seated on stage. There is no charge for tickets, but they must be obtained in advance.

Please monitor your U of R email account for details on extra tickets closer to October 4, 2017, or refer to our webpage: http://www.uregina.ca/student/registrar/convocation/info-package/tickets.html
How to Dress
Although every effort is made to keep the stage temperature comfortable, with the intense lighting and weight of the academic gown, the stage area can become warm. Keep in mind you will be walking and climbing stairs therefore, choose appropriate shoes and clothes. Corsages, extraneous apparel, jewelry and/or unapproved headgear are not permitted. Please either leave your purse, camera, cell phone, or anything you would need to carry with one of your guests, or do not bring these items with you. There is no place to store them during the ceremony, and they are not permitted on stage.

Convocation Reception
A complimentary reception sponsored by the University of Regina and assisted by the University of Regina Women will be held in the Convention Hall on the lowest level of the Conexus Arts Centre immediately following the ceremony (approximately 4:00 pm to 5:30 pm). Tickets are not required, and we encourage you and your guests to attend.

2. Gowns & Hoods

There is no charge or form required for your gown and hood (regalia); however we must be aware of your intention to attend the ceremony in order to make these arrangements. Your regalia will be reserved for you based on what you indicated on your Application for Graduation. If you are not sure if you indicated you would attend, or have now changed your mind about your attendance, please contact ur.graduation@uregina.ca.

NOTE: If you are receiving two or more degrees/diplomas/certificates in the same ceremony, you will only cross once. All degrees/diplomas/certificates will be mentioned at the time of your crossing. If you have questions, please email Ange Arthur at ur.graduation@uregina.ca.

Fairmedes Academic Apparel is in charge of gown and hood distribution. Gowns and hoods may be picked up on the day of the ceremony at the Conexus Arts Centre between 12:30 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. in the Quebec and Ontario rooms. Regalia must be returned to the same location immediately following the ceremony, if possible, but not later than 4:30 p.m. If the regalia is not returned, following one unsuccessful attempt to retrieve the item(s), the student will be charged the following rate, which is the replacement value of the regalia: PhD gown-$350, PhD hood-$55, Bachelor’s and Master’s gown-$125, Bachelor’s hood-$35, Master’s hood-$45.

3. Media Coverage

Faculty Photographs
Some faculties arrange for portrait sittings for their graduating students prior to Convocation. Please contact your faculty or college office for this information.

Photograph with the President
Cornerstone Photography will be at the ceremony taking photographs of graduates being congratulated by the University President on stage. If you wish to obtain this photo, go to http://www.cornerstonephotography.ca/

NOTE: Picture taking from the audience during the ceremony is permitted; however there must not be any interference with the official photographers, and aisles and stairways must be kept clear. Audience members are not permitted on the stage area.

Televising
Access Communications Co-operative Limited will be televising the Convocation ceremony on Access 7 across the province at various times following the ceremony. These times will be printed in the Convocation Program. Commemorative DVD’s of the ceremony can be purchased by filling out the online request form found at www.myaccess.ca.
Webcasting
Convocation will be webcast live from the Conexus Arts Centre via the University of Regina website at http://www.uregina.ca/student/registrar/convocation/webcasts.html.

4. Services

Diploma Framing
The University of Regina Alumni Association provides a "while you wait" diploma framing service in the main lobby of the Conexus Arts Centre at Convocation. For more information, please view http://www.mdf-reg.ca/.

Flowers
Beautiful, fresh flowers will be available for purchase at the Conexus Arts Centre on the day of the ceremony or pre-ordered and have them for pick-up at the Centre at www.convocationflowers.ca/index.php/regina.

*NEW* Commemorative T-Shirts
T-shirts will be for sale at the ceremony. The T-shirts contain all of the graduating students’ names for that convocation with the heading “University of Regina Graduating Class of __”. Since all of the names are printed for each convocation on a single shirt (approx. 2200 names in the spring, 800 in the fall), the names appear quite small. You may view the t-shirt design here: T-shirt. If you would prefer not to have your name printed on the T-shirt, please contact the Convocation Coordinator at coby.stephenson@uregina.ca at least four weeks before the date of your ceremony.

5. Diplomas in Absentia

You are encouraged to attend Convocation to receive your parchment; however, if you do not attend the ceremony, you may pick up your parchment at the Registrar’s Office beginning on Monday, October 23, 2017. You may also arrange for someone to pick up your diploma by providing them with a signed letter of authorization. Photo ID is required upon pickup. For parchments not picked-up by the end of October we will mail them. It is your responsibility to ensure your mailing address is up to date in UR Self-Service by October 16, 2017.

6. Academic Regalia

University regulations require graduates who are participating in the Convocation ceremony to do so in proper, approved academic regalia – that is academic gown and hood (certificate recipients do not wear a hood unless specified by the costume guidelines below). The University of Regina does not have caps (mortarboards). All students wear black gowns except for the following: PhD students wear a scarlet gown with royal blue trim, facing and cuffs; Federated college students wear the color of gown approved for the federated college – that is red for Campion College, royal blue for Luther College, and sky blue for the First Nations University of Canada.

Students are welcome to wear their Indigenous ceremonial dress, other cultural ceremonial dress, or their military or law enforcement dress uniform with, or instead of, the gown at the Convocation ceremonies. In these instances, graduands must still be hooded and wear the University of Regina hood.

A description of hoods for students graduating from the University of Regina is listed below. Protocol inquiries about appropriate academic regalia should be directed to the Registrar's Office: ur.graduation@uregina.ca

NOTE: Students will not wear the hood of a previously earned degree as they will receive a new hood at the ceremony.
Undergraduate Degrees:
Bachelor of Administration - Royal blue outside and white inside trim
Bachelor of Adult Education and Training - Forest green outside and grey inside trim
Bachelor of Applied Science - Emerald green outside and inside trim
Bachelor of Arts - White outside and inside trim
Bachelor of Arts Honours - White outside and inside trim
Bachelor of Arts in Journalism - Light blue outside and inside trim
Bachelor of Arts in Police Studies - White outside trim and scarlet inside trim
Bachelor of Arts in Resource and Environmental Studies - White outside trim and jade green inside trim
Bachelor of Business Administration - Royal blue outside and white inside trim with gold cord on the outside edge
Bachelor of Dance - Violet Velveteen inside and outside trim
Bachelor of Education - Violet outside and inside trim
Bachelor of Education (Indigenous Education) - Sky blue hood with violet outside and inside trim
Bachelor of Fine Arts - White outside trim and apple blossom pink inside trim
Bachelor of Francophone Studies - Red outside trim and green inside trim with gold cord
Bachelor of Geographic Information Science - white outside trim and royal blue inside trim
Bachelor of Health Studies - White outside trim, shamrock green inside trim with silver cord on the outside edge
Bachelor of Health Studies - Dental Hygienist - White outside trim, shamrock green inside trim with silver cord on the outside edge
Bachelor of Human Justice - Dark orange outside and inside trim
Bachelor of Human Resource Development - Grey outside trim and forest green inside trim
Bachelor of Indigenous Social Work - Sky blue hood with citron yellow outside and inside trim
Bachelor of Journalism - Light blue outside trim and white inside trim
Bachelor of Kinesiology - Silver grey inside and outside trim and navy blue border with silver cord
Bachelor of Medical Imaging - Teal outside and inside trim
Bachelor of Medical Laboratory Science - Teal outside and inside trim
Bachelor of Music - Scarlet outside and inside trim
Bachelor of Music Education - Scarlet outside and inside trim
Bachelor of Science - Mint green outside and inside trim
Bachelor of Science Honours - Mint green outside and inside trim
Bachelor of Science in Nursing - Apricot and navy outside trim, navy inside trim and white cord
Bachelor of Social Work - Citron yellow outside and inside trim
Bachelor of Sport & Recreation Studies - Gold inside and outside trim and navy blue border with silver cord
Bachelor of Vocational/Technical Education - Grey outside trim and violet inside trim

Graduate Degrees:
Doctor of Philosophy - Scarlet hood and blue silk lining
Master of Indigenous Social Work - Sky blue hood with citron yellow outside and inside trim and citron yellow lining
Master of Administration - Royal blue trim and white inside trim and lining
Master of Adult Education - Grey outside trim and violet inside trim and lining
Master of Applied Science - Green outside trim and inside trim and green lining
Master of Arts - White outside and inside trim and white lining
Master of Business Administration - Blue outside trim and violet inside trim and lining
Master of Education - Violet outside trim and inside trim and violet lining
Master of Engineering - Green outside trim and gold inside trim and lining
Master of Fine Arts - White outside trim and pink inside trim and lining
Master of Indigenous Social Work - Sky blue hood with citron yellow outside and inside trim and citron yellow lining
Master of Journalism – Light blue outside trim and white inside trim and lining
Master of Health Administration - Royal blue outside trim and sage green inside trim and lining
Master of Human Resource Development - Grey outside trim, forest green inside trim and grey lining
Master of Human Resource Management - Blue outside trim and scarlet inside trim and lining
Master of Music - Scarlet outside and inside trim and scarlet lining
Master of Nursing – Navy and apricot split with white cord outside trim, apricot inside trim and lining
Master of Public Administration - Blue outside trim and gold inside trim and lining
Master of Public Policy - Royal blue outside trim and caviar burgundy inside trim and lining
Master of Science - Mint green outside and inside trim and mint green lining
Master of Social Work - Citron yellow outside and inside trim and citron yellow lining
Master of Vocational/Technical Education - Grey outside trim, violet inside trim and grey lining
**Certificates & Diplomas:**

Students receiving certificates and diplomas wear an academic gown but typically do not wear an academic hood, except when the certificate or diploma program requires a previous degree, or the recipient holds a previous degree. Certificates requiring a previous degree:

- Advanced Certificate in Arts - wear BA hood
- Advanced Certificate in Justice Studies – wear BA hood
- Advanced Certificate in Police Studies – wear BAPS hood
- BA Honours Certificate - wear BA hood
- Certificate of Extended Studies in Education - wear BEd hood
- Certificate of Extended Studies in Inclusive Education – wear BEd hood
- Master’s Certificate - wear hood of highest degree

7. Privacy

The Convocation Ceremony is a public event. If your privacy is a concern for you at the convocation ceremony, please refer to our website for more information: [https://www.uregina.ca/student/registrar/convocation/info-package/privacy.html](https://www.uregina.ca/student/registrar/convocation/info-package/privacy.html).

8. Contact Information

For questions regarding your Convocation status, and faculty events, contact your Faculty or College Office:

- Arts: 306-585-4137
- Business Administration: 306-585-4724
- Campion College: 306-359-1210
- Centre for Continuing Education: 306-585-5807
- Education: 306-585-4537
- Engineering & Applied Science: 306-585-4738
- Media, Arts and Performance: 306-585-5576
- First Nations University: 306-790-5950 (ext 3106)
- Graduate Studies and Research: 306-585-4161
- Kinesiology and Health Studies: 306-585-4130
- Luther College: 306-585-5444
- Science: 306-585-4199
- Social Work: 306-585-4118

For payment of outstanding accounts, contact Financial Services at 306-585-4125.
Questions about the ceremony? Email: ur.graduation@uregina.ca, or call 306-585-4175.