

University Day Commencement
Monday, May 18, 2009
Graduate Instructions for Assembly and Processional

Two things to remember.....
BE ON TIME AND STAY IN LINE

ARRIVING TO GOODMAN

► **Arrive at the student assembly area to the east of Goodman Stadium at 8:45 a.m. with your cap, gown, tassel, and hood.**

Check-in at the card distribution table for your college. You will be given two identical cards listing your name, degree(s), and major(s). The information on the card is printed the same way you requested it to appear on your diploma. The cards have instructions on the back - please read them carefully. If you are having any problems with your cap, gown, tassel, or hood that morning, assistance is available from the bookstore personnel stationed at the south end of the student assembly area.

LINING UP IN THE ASSEMBLY AREA

Line up behind the sign that indicates your college, degree category and portion of the alphabet, in alphabetical order. *Intercollegiate Program candidates should line up behind the College of Business & Economics.*

Please note: Diplomas are distributed in alphabetical order by college, so it is important that all candidates process and sit in order on the field. Also, parents and guests have been given information on the seating arrangements and expect to see you at the indicated positions.

STAYING IN LINE FOR THE PROCESSIONAL

At 9:45 a.m., you will process from the assembly area to Goodman Stadium in four separate lines in single file, led by faculty ushers. Each line will consist of two different college groups. For example, one of the four lines may include Education and Arts & Sciences candidates with names that begin with A – L.

The four lines will proceed toward Goodman Stadium. Traffic cones and staff will assist in keeping the lines separated and in single file. Please cooperate and stay in single file.

When the ceremony begins at 10:00 a.m., the procession will move onto the field from two entrances and walk along the sidelines to the back of the seating area. The lines will turn toward the center of the field. Two of the lines will proceed along the outside of the seating area to their designated seats and the other two lines will access their seats from the center aisle.

RECEIVING YOUR DEGREE

When the degrees are awarded, each degree group will be directed to the sides of the stage platform by the faculty ushers. You will give one of your cards to the faculty reader before going onto platform. At this point, Chappell Studios will take your photo. You will then cross the platform to shake the hand of either the president or provost and another photograph will be taken. You will then leave the stage by the center steps and proceed to the diploma tent via the main aisle. Here you will present the second card to receive your diploma. You will then return to your seat by the main aisle or the outside edge of the seating area.

For additional information regarding Lehigh University's Commencement, go to www.lehigh.edu/commencement.