

Friday, May 10, 2019

Phi Beta Kappa Initiation & Baccalaureate

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| 10:30 a.m. | Phi Beta Kappa Initiates assemble at 10:45 a.m., University Hall 1st Floor |
| 11:00 a.m. | Phi Beta Kappa Initiation , University Hall, Gray Chapel |
| 12:00 noon | Phi Beta Kappa Luncheon, Benes Rooms, Hamilton-Williams Campus Center (Invitation Only) |
| 7:00 p.m. | Baccalaureate Celebration , University Hall, Gray Chapel |

Saturday, May 11, 2019

Commencement Ceremonies will be held at Merrick Lawn in front of Merrick Hall

9 – 11:00 a.m. Breakfast Reception for Candidates and Guests at Pritchard House (135 Oak Hill)

11:00 a.m. Legacy Photos will be taken by OWU Magazine on West Steps of University Hall
(Wear cap and gown.)

*Candidates whose parents and/or grandparents attended OWU should have photos taken.

12:00 p.m. Graduates CHECK-IN at tables located behind Merrick Hall and receive processional order card.

12:15 p.m. Graduates LINE UP on the sidewalk behind Merrick Hall

ORDER OF CANDIDATES FOR DEGREES – Check-in to get your # in line:

a. B.F.A. Candidates b. B.M. Candidates c. B.S. Candidates d. B.A. Candidates

1:00 p.m. THE PROCESSION

- At the proper time, the platform party will exit the south doors of University Hall and the faculty will exit the north doors of University and proceed to the sidewalk in front of Merrick Hall. The platform party and faculty will open ranks for review of the graduates as directed by the faculty marshals.
- **The student marshals will lead the degree candidates in review between the faculty and the platform party, and direct the students to their seats.**
- The platform marshals will lead their party to the platform.
- The faculty marshals will lead their groups to their seats on the lawn.

2:00 p.m. CONFERRAL OF DEGREES

- When instructed by the Registrar, all candidates for a degree (BFA, BM, & BS) will rise and remain standing until the degree has been conferred by the President.
- Then the first row will move to the left and forward to the ramp in order as directed by the student marshals.
- Candidates should wait at the designated area on the platform until their name is called, then advance to the President.
- After receiving the diploma (left hand) and handshake (right hand), the graduates should continue across the platform, shifting the tassel from right to left, stop at the picture station and return to the row, standing until the row is in place.
- For Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) Candidates: all rows except the first will be seated after the statement of conferral by the President. The first and second rows will move to the left and forward and, as the last person reaches the aisle, the third and fourth rows will rise and follow with the other rows following in a continuous column at the direction of the student marshals.

Important Notes:

- Restrooms in all surrounding buildings will be available before and during the ceremony.
- Water stations and hand-sanitizing stations are located around perimeter of ceremony. You will not be able to stop for water during the processional but a bottle of water will be placed under your seat.
- First Aid is located near the Commencement ceremony seating area.
- Friends and family members may watch the proceedings in the atrium of the Hamilton-Williams Campus Center and the Benes rooms via a live webcast of the event if they do not wish to sit outside.