

# COMMENCEMENT - 2009

## Valparaiso University

### Instructions to the Candidates for Degrees

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#### THE BACCALAUREATE SERVICE

Sunday, May 17, 10:00 a.m.  
The Chapel of the Resurrection

The candidates, in academic garb, will meet at the **old Union** at 9:30 a.m. Candidates will line up at the direction of the marshals on the sidewalk parallel to the **old Union**, near the **old Union** entrance.

Candidates are to wear the tassel on the right side of the cap, unless they hold a degree.

In the event of inclement weather candidates will gather in the Christopher Center.

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#### THE CONFERRING OF DEGREES

Sunday, May 17, 1:30 p.m.  
The Athletics-Recreation Center

**The candidates, in academic garb, will meet at 12:30 p.m. in Gym 1 of the Athletics-Recreation Center.** They will line up in alphabetical order, by degree, at the direction of the marshals. Candidates are to use the southwest entrance to Gym 1. Be there on time!! The procession starts at **1:10 p.m!!**

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#### GENERAL INFORMATION

No tickets will be needed for general admission to the Athletics-Recreation Center. There will be no "saving of seats". Ushers will be instructed to fill all seats as guests arrive. Relatives and friends of graduates and others attending the convocation will be asked to enter the arena through the Union Street entrance. Those doors will open at 12:30 p.m.

Persons with physical disabilities who are relatives or guests of graduates are asked to come to the northeast entrance of the Athletics-Recreation Center by 12:30 p.m. They will then be seated before others enter the arena. One person may accompany this person and sit with him or her in the special seating area of the arena. All persons who enter by the northeast doors beginning at 12:00 p.m. must have special tickets. These tickets may be secured by writing to the Office of Alumni Relations, ATTN: Allyson Baughman, Valparaiso University, Valparaiso, Indiana 46383. Please note: The tickets will only be mailed to the parents or guests requesting them. They will not be given to graduates.

After the Conferring of Degrees, candidates who are eligible to receive diplomas will pick up their diplomas in Gym 1 of the Athletics-Recreation Center. A diploma will be given to the graduate only upon presentation of the ID card. Friends and/or relatives will not be permitted to pick up a diploma. Gym 1 will remain open until 4:30 p.m. for the distribution of diplomas.

#### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

If you have questions on arrangements or procedures please call the Office of University Relations at 464-5114, or write through email (University.Relations@valpo.edu).