

# Convocation Ceremony



COLLEGE OF NURSING  
THE UNIVERSITY OF TOLEDO

DATE: Friday, May 3, 2019  
LOCATION: Savage Arena – The University of Toledo Main Campus  
STARTING TIME: 1:00 pm  
GRADS ARRIVE: 12:00 pm – upon arrival, check-in, then locate your program sign – a staff member will assist you in lining up for the ceremony.

PARKING: Students and guests are invited to park in lots 3, 4, or 5.

GUESTS AND SEATING: Seating is unlimited. If your guest will require any special needs (wheelchair accommodations, ASL interpretation, etc.) contact the *Office of Student Services* at 419.383.5810 as soon as possible so proper arrangements may be made.

ATTIRE: This event does not require academic regalia. Students should arrive in professional attire. Pre-licensure BSN and MSN CNL students should also wear CON lab coats.

**Pre-licensure BSN, RN-BSN and CNL students** will be pinned at the ceremony. **Students will select the pinner of their choice.** Pinner will process in with the students and be seated on the floor of Savage Arena. Students may purchase a nursing pin (purchase is not mandatory) from the *UT Barnes & Noble* bookstore at the Gateway (419.530.2516) on Dorr and Secor Roads. See flyer for details. **Pin ordering deadline is March 22, 2019.**

**CNL, other MSN and DNP students** will be presented with their hoods. **Graduate Students should bring their hood to the ceremony. (Can purchase through UT Bookstore).**

Please leave personal items like jackets and purses with your guests. There are no facilities available for storing these items. Also, no food or beverages are permitted on the floor of the arena during the ceremony.

DIFFERENCES IN CONVOCATION EVENT AND THE UNIVERSITY COMMENCEMENT EVENT:

- The *Convocation Ceremony* on May 3, 2019 is for College of Nursing students only and will be a more personal ceremony.
- It is expected that if you attend, you will stay for the duration of the event.
- **UT Commencement: Undergraduate Ceremony** is on Saturday, May 4, 2019 in the *Glass Bowl* at 10:00 am. **Graduate Ceremony** is on Saturday, May 4, 2019 in the *Glass Bowl* at 3:00 pm.
- **BG Commencement** is on Friday, May 17, 2019 at 7 pm.
- The university Commencement ceremony requires academic regalia (cap and gown). The university degree is conferred during the commencement ceremony (diploma cases are only distributed at the commencement ceremony).
- **Doctoral students** will be hooded at the university's Commencement ceremony on Saturday, May 4 at 3:00 (Glass Bowl)

QUESTIONS AND INFORMATION:

Please read this document *thoroughly* and for further information, please call student services at 419.383.5810. All convocation information will be posted on the College of Nursing's website: [www.utoledo.edu/nursing](http://www.utoledo.edu/nursing) listed under "News and Upcoming Events." Commencement information is posted on the University website: [www.utoledo.edu/commencement](http://www.utoledo.edu/commencement).



## Student Speaker

*Due March 11, 2019*

This is a wonderful opportunity to pay tribute to faculty, nursing staff, class, and family members during the Nursing Awards Ceremony. If you would like to bring greetings on behalf of the BSN, MSN or DNP programs, *please review the guidelines below.*

Guidelines for writing your speech:

- You are speaking to family and guests; many who are not in the health care community. Refrain from using terms that “only nurses know” and do not mention specific faculty or students by name.
- Type a brief and professional statement using a 12 point Times New Roman font.
- Address should not exceed two minutes.
- Do not add your name or other identifying information, addresses are posted anonymously for votes

Submit your speech via email to [kathleen.mitchell@utoledo.edu](mailto:kathleen.mitchell@utoledo.edu), Kathleen Mitchell, Assistant Dean of Student Services.

## Student Voting

*Will occur in March*

Speeches will be voted on by students. *Students vote by replying to an anonymous survey from <noreply@qemailserver.com>*

## Awards

A number of student awards will be presented at the ceremony. All awards will be printed in the program with the recipient's name and award they are receiving. Each award recipient will be recognized and receive their award(s). If you are unable to attend the event, please make arrangements to pick up your award or have it mailed to you.

## Graduation Fair

Graduation Fair is held at the UT *Barnes & Noble* Bookstore at the Gateway. The bookstore orders and distributes all orders concerning Academic Regalia, nursing pins, diploma frames, etc. Please note, the university requires that Academic Regalia be purchased and worn for the *commencement* ceremony; however, nursing pins are an optional purchase. ***Pre-licensure BSN, RN-BSN and CNL students will be pinned during the convocation ceremony. Graduate students will be presented with their academic hood at the CON convocation ceremony and should purchase one if attending the convocation ceremony.***

Please note that further information will be sent via email and will also be made available on our website: <http://www.utoledo.edu/Nursing>. Check the website often for updates.