

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS ABOUT PINNING, HOODING, RECOGNITION AND THE COMMENCEMENT CEREMONIES

- 1. How many guests are allowed to attend the College of Nursing's Pinning, Hooding and Recognition ceremony at 5:30pm on Friday May 17, 2019 at the First Pentecostal Church, North Little Rock (<http://fpcnlr.com/>)** There are no restrictions to the number of guests that you may invite to the ceremony. We have enough space for all to attend.
- 2. Who should attend Friday evening's ceremony?** All graduating students and their families.
- 3. Who needs a ticket?** NO tickets will be required.
- 4. What happens at the Friday evening ceremony?** BSN graduates will receive a Nursing Pin; Master's and DNP graduates will be hooded; PhD graduates will be recognized; ALL graduates' names will be called and graduates will process for a handshake. Special guests will speak.
- 5. How many guests are allowed to attend the Commencement ceremony 3:00pm on Saturday afternoon, May 18, 2019 at Verizon Arena?** There is no limit to the number of guests you may invite to Saturday's event.
- 6. What happens at the Saturday afternoon ceremony?** All graduates from all colleges attend. The format is similar to a high school/college graduation you have attended in the past. Your names will be called and you will walk across the stage to get a handshake.
- 7. Is seating available for the disabled?** Yes, each venue has seating for the disabled. Just tell the usher upon arrival.
- 8. When do I wear regalia?** You are to wear regalia to the Friday evening and the Saturday afternoon events.
- 9. Can I decorate my cap or any part of my regalia?** None of the program graduates are allowed to decorate their cap or any part of their regalia. If your regalia is decorated, you will not be allowed to walk in the ceremonies.
- 10. What time do we arrive at the Pinning, Hooding and Recognition Ceremony at the First Pentecostal Church, North Little Rock (<http://fpcnlr.com/>)?** Arrive no later than 4:15 pm, dressed in regalia. Master's and DNP graduates, bring but do not wear your hoods because you will be 'hooded' that evening. PhD graduates do not wear hoods. You will be hooded at the Saturday event.
- 11. What time do we arrive at Verizon Arena on Saturday afternoon?** Arrive no later than 1:30 pm, dressed in regalia. (More details on where to park and enter the arena will be posted later.)

12. What do we wear under our regalia? Wear something cool yet appropriate, and wear comfortable shoes. You will be standing in line on concrete, and you will be walking up a ramp onto a stage.

13. How long does the event on Friday evening last? It starts at 5:30pm and lasts about two (2) hours.

14. How long does the event on Saturday afternoon (Commencement) last? It starts at 3:00pm and lasts about 3 hours.

15. Will I have help lining up at both events? Each program (BSN, MNsc, DNP, PhD) will have separate lines. Students will be asked to line up as close to alphabetical as possible. Once the line-up has occurred, a faculty marshal will distribute a 3X5 index card with the graduate's name on it. That card will be handed to the Announcer just before the graduate walks up to get handshakes.

16. Will there be a place to 'store' my personal items (handbags, cell phones, keys, etc)? There is NO place at either event to securely lock personal items. Please give your items to family or wear a garment that has pockets.

17. Are cameras and other recording devices allowed? Families should bring cameras or camcorders to both events. There will be a professional photographer available at the Commencement ceremony who will provide you with information about how to purchase photos.