

## SCHEDULE FOR COMMENCEMENT WEEKEND 2026

All functions are scheduled for Central Daylight Time.

FRIDAY

MAY 8th

**BACCALAUREATE SERVICE**, 3:00 p.m., **St. Stephen Cathedral** (610 Locust Street). Please gather in the Moore Center gym by 2:15 p.m. for a Group Picture, followed by the lineup to procession across Frederica St. and down 7<sup>th</sup> St. to Cathedral. In the event of rain, gather in Cathedral basement.

**ATTIRE:** For Baccalaureate, Academic Attire (cap—tassel, gown, hood). All are encouraged to attend and bring your family and friends.

### **RECEPTION FOLLOWING SERVICE IN MOORE CENTER**

Everyone is welcomed to attend, and bring their family and friends.

FRIDAY

MAY 8th

**GRADUATE STUDENT COMMENCEMENT**, 6:00 p.m., RiverPark Center (101 Daviess Street).

Please arrive by 5:15 p.m. for robing and line formation. Encourage your guests to arrive early.

Parking is available at Brescia University with a shuttle transport to RiverPark Center (for guests only).

SATURDAY

MAY 9th

**UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT COMMENCEMENT**, 10:00 a.m., RiverPark Center (101 Daviess Street). Please arrive by 9:15 a.m. for robing and line formation. Encourage your guests to arrive early if they want to get into the parking garage.

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### **GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE COMMENCEMENT CEREMONIES**

- 1) Candidates **ONLY** will come to the Jody Berry Theater area—orchestra left. (Please have your guests go on into Cannon Hall.) Marshals will direct line formation.
- 2) Graduates pick up a program when they enter Jody Berry Theater. They should find their name under the correct degree in the program. Then go to the area designated for that degree and their proper spot. They need to remain in that lineup so the Marshals can check the line to be ready to lead them into Cannon Hall in the proper order to walk across the stage.
- 4) Remain standing until the stage guests are in place—sit when they sit.
- 5) When the time arrives for presentation of diplomas, all in the first row (and then successive rows) stand together and turn left. Come forward to receive your diploma when your name is called. Names of graduates not there will be called but wait for your name before accepting the diploma cover. With your left hand, accept your diploma from the President, who will shake your right hand facing the camera for photo. As you move across the stage, other stage guests will also congratulate you. Hold your diploma cover over your chest and return to your seat. Sit down as soon as you return.
- 6) When the music begins at the end of the ceremony, stand and follow the Marshals lead to the Lobby.
- 7) After the ceremony, return to the Jody Berry Theater for diploma pick up.

THE FRONT ROW WILL BE LEFT EMPTY TO ALLOW SPACE FOR THOSE WHO WISH TO TAKE PICTURES.