



ALL NURSING DEGREE CANDIDATES FOR MAY 2013 PINNING AND COMMENCEMENT EXERCISE 2:00 p.m. Friday, May 10, 2013 Swor Auditorium, Nelson Hall, Clinton Campus

Congratulations upon your anticipated graduation from Mississippi College. Listed below are very important items that need to be carefully heeded:

- Attend the Grad Fair Monday, February 25, 2013, from 11:00 a.m. 5:30 p.m. or Tuesday, February 26, 2013, from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. to have your cap and gown measurements verified. You will have the opportunity to have a formal portrait taken, order announcements, order a class ring, and take care of other graduation-related matters.
- Clear all accounts in the Business Office by 4:00 p.m., Wednesday, May 8, 2013. You will not be able to pick up your cap and gown unless you have: (1) cleared your student account in the Business Office; (2) cleared your account in the Library; and (3) completed exit counseling if you have had Perkins or Institutional loans through the Financial Aid office.
- Pick up cap and gown in *Moody Adams Field House* from 1:00 6:00 p.m. on Thursday, May 9, 2013, or 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. on Friday, May 10, 2013. All candidates are required to wear academic regalia. Any questions should be directed to Missa Turman at 601-925-3341. Stop by the Alumni/Career Services table to complete an information survey. You can speed up the process by going to: www.mc.edu/career/alumni/foundajob.php to complete the survey before you arrive to pick up your cap and gown.
- Report as directed by Dean Padgett and the Nursing School.
- Pictures in academic regalia with family and friends should be made immediately following the Commencement Exercise. Staff members from the School of Nursing will direct you in returning your cap and gown in Nelson Hall before picking up your diploma. You may keep your tassel and honor stole (if applicable).
- Attendance at the Commencement Exercise is expected. Students who meet graduation requirements are
 expected to march. Approval from the Dean of Nursing is required for any exceptions. However, <u>if you cannot</u>
 attend <u>and you did not report this information on your degree application</u>, you must complete an absentia card
 immediately, but not later than Monday, April 29, 2013. This form is available in the Registrar's Office.
- Respect for our degree candidates and the dignity of the Commencement Exercise is important! Please honor each candidate by reserving all individual celebrations until the end of the exercise. Your cooperation, and the cooperation of your guests, is greatly appreciated.
- **Diplomas will be given to you at the end of the Commencement Exercise.** If you cannot attend the Commencement Exercise, your diploma will be sent by certified mail to the address indicated on your degree application or absentia card.
- Guests with disabilities should use the ramped sidewalk to the left of the main entrance into Nelson Hall.

• If you are not graduating this May, please notify the Office of the Registrar immediately. You can e-mail broome@mc.edu or call 601-925-3479.

Again, congratulations on your accomplishment. Come prepared for your Pinning and Commencement Exercise by carefully reading the information provided. If you have questions, please visit www.mc.edu/commencement.

Sincerely, Rob Ward, Chairman Commencement Committee