

Graduate School of Arts & Sciences
Hooding and Commencement Ceremony
Information for Non-Hooding Faculty

DATE: Saturday, May 16, 2026
ARRIVAL TIME: 3:15 pm
PLACE: Wait Chapel, Reynolda Campus

Parking:

Parking passes are not needed. Lots Q and Lot W1 will be open for general parking and are centrally located for those attending events in Wait Chapel.

- [Locate Lot Q](#)
- [Locate Lot W1](#)
- [Campus Map](#)

Arrival:

Faculty should arrive on Hearn Plaza by 3:15 pm wearing academic regalia and assemble behind the “Non-Hooding Faculty” sign on the RIGHT side of the Chapel.

Security:

All students, faculty, staff, and guests will be screened via metal detectors. A clear bag policy will also be in place.

Processional:

You will enter the Chapel following the Hooding Faculty. There will be a faculty marshal to direct you to your seat. Do not leave any empty seats between you and the next person. There will be a run-of-show card on your seat. Once the stage is filled, a faculty marshal will direct you to a section of reserved seats.

Recessional:

Following the closing remarks and the music begins, please stand and wait for the faculty marshal to direct you.

Once outside, please walk far enough away from the doors to avoid crowding and join us for the reception in the Green Room on the main floor of Reynolda Hall.