

August 20, 2013

GFC Convocation Committee – ANNUAL REPORT (July 1, 2012 to June 30, 2013)

**Overview:** This committee is tasked with oversight of all Convocation Ceremonies, approving the schedule of events, order of proceedings, citations for honorary degree recipients and award winners, and  
This year, the committee oversaw the Fall 2012 and the Spring 2013 Ceremonies in which we had over 1700 graduates over the 5 ceremonies, a new Chair of the Board of Governors, and the unveiling of the official U of L Coat of Arms.

**Meetings:** The GFC Convocation Committee met 2 times this year:

*October 2, 2012*

There was discussion of the events surrounding the 45<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Homecoming Celebrations which took place the same weekend as Convocation.

*May 7, 2013*

There was discussion on the impact construction would have on the ceremonies, as all aspects of convocation needed to be moved up the hill. The new video created by Advancement was shown to the committee, and an update was given on the cancellation of the flag project due to budgetary restrictions.

**Upcoming:** In 2013/14, the GFC Convocation Committee will continue to meet regularly prior to each Convocation Ceremony with regards to the planning and operating of the ceremonies. As it was seen with the cancellation of the flag project, we could see further restrictions placed on convocation due to budgetary concerns over the next year. It is also the intention to look at ways to increase the student experience at Convocation.