Frequently Asked Questions

What is the Academic Honors and Student Leadership Convocation?
A student-centered event, the Convocation is to honor students for outstanding academic and leadership performances.

Convocation provides us with the opportunity to honor students who sustain a high level of academic and/or leadership accomplishment. All of the students being honored at Convocation have a special sense of purpose to accomplish their personal and professional goals.

When and where is the Convocation held?
Saturday, March 30, 2019, 2:00 p.m. in Morrow Field House with a celebratory reception immediately following in the Grasstex area.

Where is the Field House? Where are the designated parking lots?
West Lake Parking and East Lake Parking lots are the designated parking lots. http://rockpride.sru.edu/map/ParkingMap.pdf

What Awards are presented?
Student Awards: Syed Ali-Zaidi Award, Presidential Scholars, Honors College Graduates, Outstanding Students-College Awards
Student Recognition: Deans’ List, Scholar Athletes, Student Leadership (SGA, Rising Stars, Service Leadership Coordinators, Jump Start Peer Mentors, First-Year Leader Scholar (FLSP) Peer Mentors, Community Assistants), Scholarship Recipients, Academic Honor Society members and Students Serving in Military
Faculty Awards: Excellence in Teaching and Outstanding Academic Advising

How long is the Convocation?
Length may vary, but typically it lasts about 1 ½ hours.

What is proper attire for participating students?
MEN: Dress slacks and shirts (ties optional), sports coats or dress sweaters, suits
WOMEN: Business suits or pants suits, conservative dresses or skirt and blouse combinations

Faculty and Administration wear academic regalia, and special stage guests usually dress in business attire.

Guests will be seated on bleachers; comfortable clothing is appropriate.
Information for Honored Students:
All honored students receive group recognition; selected students receive individual recognition.

Honored students are lined up prior to the event and given instructions on their marching order for the processional.

Lapel ribbons and programs will be available from the Convocation Assistants for all students being honored. If awarded more than one honor, please pick up each lapel ribbon and line up with the group with the highest academic requirement. (Requirement order: Presidential Scholars, Honors College Graduates, Outstanding Students-College Awards, Student Leadership, Deans' List, Scholar Athletes, Scholarship Recipients)

Please wear Lapel ribbons on the left side.

All students will report to the Field House no later than 1:30 PM the day of the event. Signs indicating line-up areas will be prominently displayed throughout the Field House. Please report to staff members assisting with line-up.

An information table will be located at the rear of the main basketball court area.

Programs will also be distributed at the doors and throughout the first floor.

Presidential Scholars:
Presidential Scholars will line-up (alphabetically by last name) at the east end of the track area nearest Spotts World Culture Building with guidance from Convocation Assistants. Presidential Scholars will lead the students in the processional.

Honors College Graduates:
Honors College graduates will line-up (alphabetically by last name) at the east of the track area nearest Spotts World Culture Building with guidance from Convocation Assistants. Please report to the staff helping with line-up.

Outstanding Students-College Awards:
College Awardees will line up (in alphabetical order by college) at the east end of the track area. Please report to the staff helping with line-up.

Student Leadership:
Student Leaders will line up (in order by group) at the east end of the track area. Please report to the staff helping with line-up.

Deans' List Students:
Deans' List Students will line up (in random order) at the west end of the track area farthest from Spotts World Culture Building. Please report to the staff members helping with line-up.

Scholarship Recipients:
Scholarship recipients will line up (in random order) at the north end of the track area. Please report to the staff members helping with line-up.

Scholar Athletes:
Scholar athletes will line up (in random order) at the north end of the track area. Please report to the staff helping with line-up.