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Subject: RSVP needed: 2023 Convocation, Wednesday, August 30
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Dear colleagues,

Opening Convocation is a signature event in the academic life of our university, an event intended to establish a vision for the year ahead and to welcome our newest students to the William & Mary community. This year I am delighted to announce that William & Mary's Class of 2027, as well as entering graduate and transfer students, will be welcomed to campus by William & Mary alumna and Amherst College President, Carolyn "Biddy" Martin '73, L.H.D. '12. Information on our honored guest can be found at [W&M News](#).

Convocation will be held in the Wren Yard on **Wednesday, August 30, at 7:15 p.m.** Robing will commence in the Great Hall at 6:50 p.m. The event is followed by the passage of our new students through the Wren Building to be enthusiastically welcomed by current students, faculty and staff in the Wren Courtyard. Should we experience inclement weather, please call 757-221-3868 to stay updated on any changes to the ceremony.

Opening Convocation is one of the most iconic experiences of our students' lives and one that they'll remember for a very long time. I encourage you to attend and add to their joyful experience. If you do not have regalia, please speak with your department staff about rental options.

[If you would like to attend and process with your colleagues, please RSVP using the online form by Friday, August 25.](#)

I hope to see you in full regalia on August 30!

Sincerely,
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