

## O CANADA

O Canada! Our home and native land!  
True patriot love in all thy sons command.  
With glowing hearts we see thee rise  
The True North strong and free!  
From far and wide, O Canada,  
We stand on guard for thee.

*God keep our land glorious and free!  
O Canada, we stand on guard for thee.  
O Canada, we stand on guard for thee.*

O Canada! Terre de nos aïeux  
Ton front est ceint de fleurons glorieux!  
Car ton bras sait porter l'épée,  
Il sait porter la croix!  
Ton histoire est une épopée  
Des plus brillants exploits!

*Et ta valeur, de foi trempée  
Protégera nos foyers et nos droits.  
Protégera nos foyers et nos droits.*

## ODE TO NEWFOUNDLAND

When sun rays crown thy pine-clad hills,  
And Summer spreads her hand,  
When silver voices tune thy rills,  
We love thee smiling land.  
We love thee, we love thee,  
We love thee, smiling land.

When spreads thy cloak of shimm'ring white,  
At Winter's stern command,  
Through shortened day and starlit night,  
We love thee, frozen land.  
We love thee, we love thee,  
We love thee, frozen land.

When blinding storm gusts fret thy shore,  
And wild waves lash thy strand,  
Through sprindrift swirl and tempest roar,  
We love thee, wind-swept land.  
We love thee, we love thee,  
We love thee, wind-swept land.

As loved our fathers, so we love,  
Where once they stood we stand.  
Their prayers we raise to Heaven above:  
God guard thee, Newfoundland!  
God guard thee, God guard thee,  
God guard thee, Newfoundland.



## MEMORIAL'S MISSION

Memorial University is an inclusive community dedicated to creativity, innovation and excellence in teaching and learning, research and scholarship, and to public engagement and service. We recognize our special obligation to the people of Newfoundland and Labrador.

Memorial welcomes students and scholars from all over the world and contributes knowledge and shares expertise locally, nationally, and internationally.

For more information on Memorial's plans and activities, view the Strategic Plan at [www.mun.ca/strategicplanning](http://www.mun.ca/strategicplanning) and the *President's Report 2008* at [www.mun.ca/2008report](http://www.mun.ca/2008report). For information on Sir Wilfred Grenfell College's Strategic Plan, view [www.swgc.mun.ca/documents/strat\\_plan.pdf](http://www.swgc.mun.ca/documents/strat_plan.pdf)

Official Visitor to the University  
His Honour the Honourable John C. Crosbie, P.C., O.C., O.N.L., Q.C., B.A.(Hons.), LL.B., LL.D.  
Lieutenant Governor of Newfoundland and Labrador

**FALL CONVOCATION 2009**  
**Sir Wilfred Grenfell College**  
**October 9**

**PRESIDING OFFICERS**

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Acting Principal

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**COLLEGE REGISTRAR**

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**PUBLIC ORATOR**

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**MACE BEARER**

Carolyn Parsons, B.B.A., M.Ed.

**PIANIST**

Gary Graham, O.N.L., L.Mus., B.Mus., B.A.(Mus.)

**TRUMPETER**

Darren Hancock

This ceremony at Sir Wilfred Grenfell College is the first of four sessions  
of Memorial University's Fall Convocation 2009.

While most students receiving their degrees at this session have completed their programs of study  
at Sir Wilfred Grenfell College, a number have completed programs offered at the St. John's campus.

## UNIVERSITY OFFICIALS

Other university officials participating in the Convocation ceremony may include:

Mr. Robert Simmonds  
**Chairman, Board of Regents**

Mr. Kent Decker  
**Vice-President (Administration and Finance)**

Dr. Ray Gosine  
**Vice-President (Research) *Pro Tempore***

Dr. Doreen Neville  
**Associate Vice-President (Academic)**

Dr. Grant Gardner  
**Associate Vice-President (Academic)**

Dr. Noel Roy  
**Acting Dean, Faculty of Arts**

Dr. Dale Foster  
**Acting Dean, Faculty of Business Administration**

Dr. David Dibbon  
**Dean, Faculty of Education**

Dr. John Quaicoe  
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Faculty of Engineering and Applied Science**

Dr. James Rourke  
**Dean, Faculty of Medicine**

Dr. Mark Abrahams  
**Dean, Faculty of Science**

Dr. Noreen Golfman  
**Dean, School of Graduate Studies**

Dr. Tom Gordon  
**Director, School of Music**

Dr. Judy McFetridge-Durdle  
**Director, School of Nursing**

Dr. Linda Hensman  
**Director, School of Pharmacy**

Dr. Antony Card  
**Acting Director, School of Human Kinetics and Recreation**

Ms. Ellen Oliver  
**Acting Director, School of Social Work**

Dr. Lilly Walker  
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Mr. Glenn Blackwood  
**Executive Director, Marine Institute**

Dr. William Iams  
**Acting Vice-Principal, Grenfell College**

Dr. Ivan Emke  
**Associate Vice-Principal (Research), Grenfell College**

Ms. Mary Sparkes  
**Co-ordinator of Student Services, Grenfell College**

## ACADEMIC PROCESSION

The Academic Procession heralds Convocation, the most significant gathering of the university community.

The Academic Procession will enter the hall at ten o'clock in the morning.

The audience is requested to stand while the Procession enters and leaves the hall, during the anthems, and at other times as noted in the Proceedings.

Entering the hall, the Procession may include:

**Deputy Marshal**

**Students**

**Staff**

**Faculty**

**Deputy Marshal**

**Members of the Board of Regents**

**Honorary Graduates**

**University Marshal**

**Heads**

**Directors**

**Honorary Graduand**

**Orator**

**Associate Vice-Principal**

**Vice-Principal**

**University Registrar**

**College Registrar**

**Associate Deans**

**Deans**

**Principal**

**Associate Vice-Presidents**

**Vice-Presidents**

**Representative(s) of Provincial Government Cabinet**

**Chairman, Board of Regents**

**Heads of Sister Institutions**

**President and Vice-Chancellor**

**Mace-Bearer**

**Chancellor**

**Lieutenant Governor, the Official Visitor to the University**

While the order and composition of the Procession generally remains the same for each session of Convocation, certain officials may not attend all ceremonies.

**PROCESSIONAL**

Ceremonial Music, Opus 62; Michael Parker, composer

**ANTHEM**        O Canada

**THE CHANCELLOR WILL DECLARE CONVOCATION OPEN**

**PRESIDENT'S REMARKS**

Christopher Loomis, President and Vice-Chancellor *Pro Tempore*

**REPORT TO CONVOCATION**

Holly Pike, Acting Principal, Sir Wilfred Grenfell College

**CONFERRING OF UNDERGRADUATE DEGREES**

The College Registrar will present the candidates

The Chancellor will confer the degrees

The Principal will place the hoods

**PERFORMANCE**

Gary Graham, piano

Nocturne for piano in B flat major; John Field, composer

**THE CHANCELLOR WILL DECLARE CONVOCATION CLOSED**

**ANTHEM**        The Ode to Newfoundland

**RECESSIONAL**

Ceremonial Music, Opus 62; Michael Parker, composer

Reception: Arts and Culture Centre, Main Lobby  
Sponsored by the Memorial University Alumni Association

**BACHELOR OF ARTS**

Stephanie Michelle COOMBES . . . Busselton, Australia

**BACHELOR OF SCIENCE**

Steven Ronald DAY . . . . . Corner Brook

Lee Cornect SIMON . . . . . Kippens

**BACHELOR OF NURSING**

Blanche APPLIN . . . . . Castor River South

Lesley Anne MOLLOY . . . . . St. Shott's

Matthew John CRAWFORD . . . . . Corner Brook

Susan Smith MOORE . . . . . Wolfville, N.S.

Anne Christina DICKS . . . . . Corner Brook

Christen Anna PAFFORD . . . . . Corner Brook

Lesley Nicole KEATS . . . . . Corner Brook

Cassie Olympia WISEMAN . . . . . Deer Lake

**BACHELOR OF SPECIAL EDUCATION**

Lonnie Boyd DREDGE . . . . . Black Duck Cove

Jennifer Irene HILLIER . . . . . Pasadena

**BACHELOR OF EDUCATION (PRIMARY/ELEMENTARY)**

Heather Elizabeth BERESFORD . . . . . Bedford, N.S.

Terri-Lynn NOBLE . . . . . Middle Arm

Shelly Jennifer BEST . . . . . Cox's Cove

Robin O'QUINN . . . . . South Branch

Janelle Denette BOONE . . . . . Musgrave Harbour

Krista Doreen PARK . . . . . Frenchman's Cove

Sherry BOONE . . . . . Corner Brook

Robyn-Lynn PERRETT . . . . . Mount Moriah

Daniel Michael BOWERING . . . . . Mount Pearl

Meagen Lorraine PERRY . . . . . Daniel's Harbour

Lindsay Anne DUTTON . . . . . Pierrefonds, Que.

Sara Syndle PERRY . . . . . Kippens

Heather Dawn GILLIS . . . . . St. Fintan's

Connie PIKE ABBASS . . . . . Spaniard's Bay

Lynette Susanne HANCOCK . . . . . Forteau

Jennifer Nicole PING . . . . . Corner Brook

Chrystal Ann HARTLEY . . . . . Corner Brook

Allison Elizabeth PLOWMAN . . . . . Pasadena

Ashleigh Erin HOGAN . . . . . Flatrock

Pamela Daisy POPE . . . . . Channel-Port aux Basques

Christy Lynn HOUSE . . . . . Port Saunders

Lori Elizabeth RUMBOLT . . . . . Mary's Harbour

Gregory John HOUSE . . . . . Corner Brook

Katherine Marie RUSSELL . . . . . Stephenville Crossing

Jennifer Rae HURLEY . . . . . Grand Falls-Windsor

Leona Nadine SHEARING-PHILPOTT . . . . . Lewisporte

Lisa Loletta HYDE . . . . . Pasadena

Sheri Lee SHEPPARD . . . . . Codroy Valley

Amanda Patricia LARKIN . . . . . St. Anthony

Andrea Lynn SPRACKLIN . . . . . Corner Brook

Lisa Madonna LEHR . . . . . Pasadena

Kimberly Sara STRICKLAND . . . . . Corner Brook

Linda Sarah MASSIE . . . . . Port Saunders

Natalie Elizabeth WALL . . . . . Corner Brook

Laura Dawn MOMBOURQUETTE . . . . . Halifax, N.S.

Gregory Paul WHELAN . . . . . Pasadena

Kelly Leigh MORAZÉ . . . . . Lourdes

**BACHELOR OF FINE ARTS (VISUAL ARTS)**

Rachel Elizabeth ANSTEY . . . . . Torbay

Jenny DWYER . . . . . Goulds

Caleigh Beth MacKenzie CHILDS . . . . . Berwick, N.S.

**BACHELOR OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION**

Kimberly Linda Elizabeth MABIE . . . . . McIvers

Divina Priscella NORMORE . . . . . L'Anse-au-Loup

The academic dress for matriculated undergraduates of the university shall be similar to the scholar's gown of the University of Oxford. It shall be worn whenever the president so directs.

The gowns of the Bachelors shall be of black stuff. The gowns of the Masters shall be of black stuff or silk. The gowns of the Doctors shall be of fine scarlet cloth or silk, or of black stuff or silk.

The pattern of the Bachelor's gown shall be similar to that of the Oxford Bachelor's gown. The pattern of the Master's gown and the Doctor's black gown shall be similar to that of the Oxford Master's gown, except that the Doctor's gown shall have an edging of black silk braid at the opening of the sleeve. The Doctor's scarlet gown shall be similar to that of the Oxford Doctor of Divinity's gown.

The hoods of the Bachelors shall be made of black stuff, the hoods of the Masters of black silk, and the hoods of the Doctors of scarlet silk. They shall be full in shape and lined with the university colours of claret and white. The hoods of the Bachelors shall be trimmed with white fur, the tippets with velvet in the colours distinctive of the faculty or degree. The hoods and tippets of the Masters shall be edged with velvet in the colours distinctive of the faculty or degree. The hoods and tippets of the Doctors shall be edged with silk in the colours distinctive of the faculty or degree; however, the hood of the Doctor of Philosophy shall be of claret silk, lined and edged with claret silk.

The distinctive colours for the degrees shall be:

B.A., M.A. . . . .	White
B.A. (Police Studies) . . . . .	Navy Blue
B.B.A., I.B.B.A. . . . .	Nutmeg
B.Comm., B.Comm.(Co-op.), M.B.A. . . . .	Tan
B.Ed., B.Ed.(Intermediate/Secondary), M.Ed. . . . .	Light Blue
B.Ed.(Primary), B.Ed.(Elementary), B.Ed.(Primary/Elementary) . . . .	Royal Blue
B.Ed.(Native and Northern) . . . . .	Monad Blue
B.Eng., M.Eng. . . . .	Orange
B.F.A.(Theatre) . . . . .	Amethyst
B.F.A.(Visual Arts) . . . . .	Green Haze
B.M.S. . . . .	Ocean
B.Mus., M.Mus. . . . .	Pink
B.Mus.Ed. . . . .	Lavender
B.N., M.N. . . . .	Coral
B.P.E., B.P.E.(Co-op.), B.Rec.(Co-op.), B.Rec., B.Kin.(Co-op.), B.Kin, M.P.E., M.Sc.(Kinesiology) . . . . .	Sage Green
B.Sc., M.Sc., M.A.S.P.(Co-op.) . . . . .	Gold
B.Sc.(Pharmacy), M.Sc.(Pharmacy) . . . . .	Clover
B.S.W., M.S.W. . . . .	Ruby Gem
B.Sp.Ed. . . . .	Teal Blue
B.Tech. . . . .	Moss Green
B.Voc.Ed., B.Ed.(Post-secondary) . . . . .	Steel Gray
M.A.S. . . . .	Mean Gray
M.A.Sc. . . . .	Sunburst
M.D., M.Sc.(Medicine), M.P.H. . . . .	Green
M.Env.Sc. . . . .	Pollen
M.E.R. . . . .	Chocolate Brown
M.M.S. (Fisheries Resource Management) . . . . .	Emerald
M.O.G.S. . . . .	Burnt Umber
M.Phil., Ph.D. . . . .	Claret
M.W.S. . . . .	Purple

The caps of Bachelors and Masters shall be black and of the square shape, with black tassel. The caps of the Doctors shall be similar to the Oxford Doctor's bonnet.

The academic dress for the Officers of the University shall be as follows:

- Chancellor** - a silk gown heavily embroidered with gold braid
- Vice-Chancellor** - a silk gown embroidered with gold braid
- Pro Vice-Chancellor** - a silk gown embroidered with gold braid
- University Registrar and other Officers of the University** - gowns of a pattern approved by Senate

In June of 1950 Memorial University held its first convocation, which was a fairly simple affair. Led by Engineering Prof. Jack Facey (who would later perform the role of convocation marshal for 46 years), the students and faculty moved from the Parade Street campus across to St. Patrick's Hall School for the conferring of undergraduate degrees. The university presented its first graduate degrees in May 1956 and its first honorary degree in May 1960.

The ceremony for that first honorary degree, presented to Monnie Mansfield, who had been Memorial's registrar for 30 years, served as a dress rehearsal for the most elaborate convocation the university has ever held – that for the opening of the Elizabeth Avenue campus in October 1961. Overseeing the arrangements were Prof. Facey as the marshal of convocation, responsible for the organization, direction and decorum of the occasion, and Dr. G.M. Story as the public orator, responsible for the delivery of the orations about the honorary graduands, a special feature of Memorial's convocations. Nineteen honorary degrees were conferred on a galaxy of dignitaries local, national and international. That day the public orator and his deputy each had to deliver as many as 10 orations, each a concise but rhetorically lively account of the rationale for conferring the degree.

From 1961 to 1968 convocation was held in the gymnasium of the Physical Education Building. With the opening of the St. John's Arts and Culture Centre, Memorial in effect acquired a new convocation hall, which became the regular site of the ceremonies after 1970. Designed partially on the ideas of then-Premier Joseph Smallwood, the back of the stage with its descending staircase was developed specifically for Memorial's convocation. Fall convocation was inaugurated in 1970 to accommodate increasing numbers of graduates and to support the three-semester academic calendar. In May 1992, 23 graduates received degrees in the first regular session of convocation held at Sir Wilfred Grenfell College, Memorial's Corner Brook campus.

The ceremonial trappings of convocation began to be developed in the early 1960s. Our academic robes are based on those of Oxford University. The silver mace – the symbol of the university's authority and the presence of which signals the official opening of convocation – and the marshals' staves were donated by Chancellor Lord Thomson in 1961. The original chancellor's chair and a lectern were presented in 1963 by then-Lieutenant Governor Campbell Macpherson. Other complementary birch wood furniture pieces were subsequently commissioned from the St. John's firm of Clarmanis and Son Ltd.; the chairs bear the university's coat of arms, hand carved and painted bas-relief. The signing table, gift of the former marshal Dr. Jack Facey, was added in 1996.

In 2002 plans were made to create a second convocation furniture suite so that a complete set would permanently reside at each of the St. John's and Corner Brook campuses. The design of the new suite, intended to reflect the culture and traditions of the province, was undertaken by retired Memorial University designer Ian Stewart; Paterson Woodworking of Upper Amherst Cove was commissioned to construct the set. The first piece completed in this suite, a black walnut convocation table with a fish-splitting table motif, was presented by then-Lieutenant Governor Edward Roberts in 2003. The kneeler was donated in 2005 by honorary graduate Alan Perry. Hon. Dr. Roberts and his brother Douglas Roberts sponsored the signing table and bench, completed in 2005, as well as the chancellor's chair and the four companion chairs, which were completed in 2006. They also donated the two speaker's lecterns, which were completed in 2007. The Roberts' contributions to the suite of furniture were undertaken in memory of their father, Dr. Harry D. Roberts, a graduate of Memorial University College ('31), an honorary graduate of Memorial University and for many years a member of the Board of Regents.

In 2009, on the occasion of the 100th regular session of Convocation, composer and retired professor of classics at Sir Wilfred Grenfell College, Dr. Michael Parker, created a special suite of music for convocation ceremonies. The suite premiered at Spring Convocation 2009 and is dedicated to the late Ferriss Hodgett, vice-principal of Sir Wilfred Grenfell College, 1975-1992.

The desire to share the ceremonies beyond the audience seated in the convocation hall led to television coverage of the ceremonies beginning in the 1970s and, more recently, web-casting (by the university's Distance Education and Learning Technologies unit) which virtually brings the ceremony to the whole world via the university web site at [www.mun.ca](http://www.mun.ca). Other university units that play a role in convocation include the Office of the Registrar and the School of Graduate Studies, which ensure that students have completed their programs and are certified for their degrees; the Division of Marketing and Communications, which co-ordinates the logistics of this special event and assists the graduands with preparations for the ceremony and the celebrations surrounding it; and the Office of Alumni Affairs and Development, which welcomes graduates into the Memorial University Alumni Association.

Convocation has been a day of pride for thousands of students and more than 500 honorary graduates, resulting in more than 65,000 alumni members worldwide. While our convocation, as a ceremonial occasion, has grown from the practices and procedures of older universities, after more than half a century it has become a distinctive event for all who attend, be they distinguished guests or faculty, honorary graduates or our students who are, as they should be, the focus of the event.