



Convocation Guide

MITT 2026 Spring Convocation | Tuesday, July 7, 2026
10 a.m. and 2 p.m.



Convocation is a special day that is equal parts tradition and celebration. You can help make it a smooth and memorable experience for every graduate and guest.



Location

RBC Convention Centre Winnipeg
3rd Floor, North Building
375 York Avenue
Winnipeg, Manitoba

Main Entrance

The main doors are on the south side of the North Building facing York Avenue. Once inside, follow the MITT Convocation signs posted throughout the building.

Parking

The Convention Centre has two underground parkades (North and South). Designated accessible parking stalls are located by each elevator. Parking details, including fees, can be found on the **Convention Centre website**. Additional parking is available in other lots or on the street.

Accessibility

The Convention Centre is fully accessible, and we want every graduate and guest to feel comfortable and included. If you or your guests need accommodations, please contact grad@mitt.ca in advance so we can make arrangements.

Graduates: The Academic Procession includes a short walk up a ramp and onto the stage. If that's a concern, let us know ahead of time and we'll work to make alternate arrangements.

Guests: The seating area is accessible for wheelchairs and other mobility equipment. All seating is rush seating, but accessible seating or other disability-related accommodations can be arranged by contacting grad@mitt.ca.

Programs & speeches: Alternate formats are available upon request, though they may not be immediately available during the ceremony.

Scent-free space: Please help us keep the event comfortable for everyone by avoiding scented products.

Detailed accessibility information is also available at MITT.ca/graduation.

Arrival

Before you arrive, think about what you will need for the day. The dressing area won't have storage, so bring only the essentials or leave valuables with a guest. MITT is not responsible for lost or damaged items.

| | Morning Ceremony | Afternoon Ceremony |
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| Graduates check in on the 3rd floor | 8 to 9 a.m. | 12 to 1 p.m. |
| Pre-ceremony portrait photo sessions begin | 8 a.m. | 12 p.m. |
| Graduates in their gowns and lined up | 9:30 a.m. | 1:30 p.m. |
| Guests find their seats in the hall | 9:30 a.m. | 1:30 p.m. |
| Ceremony begins | 10 a.m. | 2 p.m. |

Graduates who do not arrive in time to get their gowns and line up may be unable to participate in the ceremony.



Check-in upon arrival

MITT staff will check you in at the 3rd-floor hall entrance and give you a procession card. This card tells you where to line up, and before you cross the stage you will hand it to the reader so your name can be announced. Be sure to stop by the pronunciation station to make sure we get your name exactly right.

Pick up your cap and gown

After check-in, go to the gowning area. Hand your procession card to the staff, and they will return it along with your gown. Full-length mirrors are available so you can make sure you're stage-ready.

Line up

Be in your cap and gown at least 30 minutes before the ceremony. Then line up and stay in your assigned spot. Please stay in this spot to ensure the procession remains smooth for everyone.



Order of Proceedings

The ceremony lasts about 90 minutes, but could be longer. Once you enter, you'll be seated, and instructions will be given throughout.

Conferring of certificates and diplomas

The celebration includes a classic gesture: moving your tassel from right to left, marking the successful completion of your program. Don't worry, instructions will be provided.

Presentation of congratulatory letters

When it's your turn, MITT staff will guide you to the stage. Hand your card to the reader, stand tall as your name is announced, receive your congratulatory letter, then return to your seat for the rest of the ceremony.

Your official certificate or diploma will arrive in your formal package four to six weeks after classes end.

Ceremony conclusion

After the ceremony, graduates and guests will be guided out of the hall, with time for photos with friends and family. There is no formal reception following the ceremony.

Additional Details

Ceremony etiquette

Please stay seated during the ceremony to respect fellow graduates, celebrate everyone's achievement, and ensure the event runs smoothly.

Gown returns

You can keep your cap and tassel, but don't forget to return your gown before leaving. Students who don't return their gown, or return it damaged, will be charged the purchase price.

Video recording

Recordings of the ceremonies will be available the following week at MITT.ca/graduation.

Portraits and photos

Lifetouch is our convocation photographer. They'll snap photos as you cross the stage and can take individual or group portraits before and after the ceremony. Service is first-come, first-served. Links and order forms will be provided on-site.



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