



STUDENT COMMENCEMENT SPEAKER APPLICATION

The commencement committee is seeking one outstanding student to speak at the commencement ceremony in May. This is a great honor and an opportunity to represent Johnson & Wales University by giving an address that inspires, encourages, and reflects the vision and hopes of the Class of 2012.

A selection committee will review submissions anonymously and then identify top candidates to deliver their speeches for final evaluation. After selecting the speaker, committee members will work with the selected student to finalize his/her speech.

CRITERIA FOR ELIGIBILITY

- Good academic, financial and disciplinary standing at Johnson & Wales University.
- A cumulative grade point average (GPA) of at least 3.75 through the winter 2011-2012 term.
- Eligible to walk with a bachelor's degree in the May 2012 commencement ceremony based on credits earned.
- Three signatures from faculty or staff (letters of recommendation are not necessary).
- Active participation in extracurricular activities.

CANDIDATES MUST SUBMIT THE FOLLOWING MATERIALS

- A completed commencement speaker application.
- Current résumé.
- A copy of your unofficial transcript from jwuLink, reflecting your academic history through winter 2011-2012.
- One typed copy of your proposed commencement address. The address will be evaluated based on message/theme; grammar/spelling; coherency; creativity; length; and finally, overall presentation. Student speakers are generally allotted five to seven minutes for their speeches.

NAME _____ STUDENT ID _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

ACTIVITIES & HONORS (INCLUDE LEADERSHIP POSITIONS) _____

CELL PHONE _____ E-MAIL _____

GRADE POINT AVERAGE _____ MAJOR _____

APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____

FACULTY/STAFF SIGNATURES:	1.		
		SIGNATURE	PRINTED NAME

2.		
	SIGNATURE	PRINTED NAME

3.		
	SIGNATURE	PRINTED NAME

Interested students should submit their materials to Executive Administrator Jordan Fickess, Academic & Student Center 503 by Monday, March 12. Late or incomplete submissions will not be accepted.

Questions? Contact Jordan Fickess (jordan.fickess@jwu.edu; 305-892-7597; Academic & Student Center 503).