

## **College of Charleston Commencement Expectations for Student Behavior**

Commencement is a time to celebrate the accomplishments of the graduating class of 2011. The College of Charleston is proud of you individually and as a class. The College of Charleston commencement ceremonies are among the most unique in the region. In addition to your family members, there are guests in attendance during the ceremonies whose impression of the College is strongly influenced by what they see during the ceremonies. The College asks that you meet the following expectations of behavior:

- Give your attention and respect to all of the speakers during the ceremony. No beach balls or other distractions while people are speaking.
- Pay attention to, and follow the instructions of, student marshals and staff who are working to help the ceremony proceed smoothly and quickly.
- No alcohol during the line-up for the processional or while on stage during the ceremony.
- Remain on the stage until the end of the ceremony and the recessional of the graduating class. Follow the student marshals and your class colleagues off the stage, through Porter's Lodge and down Glebe Street, and then meet your family and guests at your department's reception or at a previously determined location.