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1. THE PURPOSE OF INVESTITURE

An investiture is a formal ceremony of conferring the authority and symbol of office of a new Chancellor or Vice Chancellor. The purpose is to introduce the new Chancellor or Vice Chancellor and it provides a platform for the Chancellor or Vice Chancellor to publicly express his or her vision to the University community. It is also an opportunity for the University community to welcome the new Chancellor or Vice Chancellor. The installation of a new Chancellor or Vice Chancellor is a ceremony of dignity with many academic traditions and protocols. It includes an academic procession of Convocation, University Council and Dignitaries from sister universities. During the recession, the mace is carried in front of the new Chancellor/Vice Chancellor. If the outgoing Chancellor/Vice Chancellor is not present, the mace is carried immediately before the Chairman of Council. In the procession, the mace is carried for the last time in front of the outgoing Chancellor/ Vice Chancellor.

2. INVESTITURE PLANNING ACTIVITIES

2.1 Objective and Schedule

The objective of the activities which precede the Investiture ceremony is to get all who are involved in the ceremony well prepared for the success of the function.

The function normally takes place on the second week of October for a new Vice Chancellor but for a new Chancellor, the date shall be agreed on with the Minister responsible for Education.

2.2 Investiture Planning Committee

The Investiture Planning Committee plans for all the activities of the ceremony. The Committee shall begin its work about three months prior to the day of the Investiture.

2.3 Composition of the Planning Committee

The following constitute the Investiture Planning Committee:

Pro Vice Chancellor - Chairman

Dean of Students

Maintenance Engineer

Estate Officer

Head, Audio Visual Unit

Assistant Registrar (General) - Secretary

The Committee may co-opt any person who may be of assistance to its work

2.4 Duties of the Investiture Planning Committee

The Committee will be required to do the following:

To ensure cleanliness on the university campus

To determine the list of invitees to the function

To arrange for press coverage for the programme (TV, Radio

and To arrange for refreshment for the dignitaries and other invited guests to the University. Organize a choir and/or other musical groups for the occasion.

2.5 Budget

The budget for the Investiture will be drawn from the central administration and through sponsorships.

3. INVESTITURE PROGRAMME

Time	Activity
9:00 a.m.	Staff and Invited Guests to be seated
9:20 a.m.	Procession of Convocation
9:30 a.m.	Procession of University Council and Dignitaries (all stand)
	National Anthem
	Opening Prayer
	Constitution of Assembly by the Chairman of Council
	UMaT Anthem
	Address by the Chairman of Council

Address by the Outgoing/Sitting Vice Chancellor
Musical Interlude
Message from Minister for Education
Address by the President of the Republic of Ghana
Address by Hon Paul Evans Aidoo, Western Regional Minister
Investiture of Chancellor or Vice Chancellor
Profile of Chancellor or Vice Chancellor
Appellation
Robing of Chancellor or Vice Chancellor
Enthronment of Chancellor or Vice Chancellor
Investiture Prayer over Chancellor or Vice Chancellor
Address by Chancellor or Vice Chancellor
University Song (Adopted)
Dissolution of Assembly by Chancellor or Chairman of Council
Closing Prayer
National Anthem
Recession of Council and Dignitaries
Recession of Convocation

4. INVESTITURE PROCESS

4.1 Constitution of the Assembly

The Chancellor or Chairman of Council will give a welcome message and then constitute the Assembly as follows:

Mr President, Guest of Honour, Ministers of State, Members of Parliament, Officials of the Mining Fraternity, Chairmen of the Councils of Sister Universities, Vice Chancellor and Vice Chancellors of Sister Universities, Registrar and Registrars of Sister Universities, Members of Convocation, alumni, distinguished invited guests, ladies and gentlemen.

It is my singular honour to welcome all of you to this ceremony. We are very grateful to you for honouring our invitation to this

investiture, the purpose of which is to introduce the new Chancellor or Vice Chancellor and it provides a platform for the Chancellor or Vice Chancellor to publicly express his or her vision to the University community. It is also an opportunity for the University community to welcome the new Chancellor or Vice Chancellor. The installation of a new Chancellor or Vice Chancellor is a ceremony of dignity with many academic traditions and protocols. About twelve years ago, this University was established by an Act of Parliament (Act 677), and we have endeavoured to put the administrative, academic and financial structures of the University into a workable network and to nurse a culture that supports the vision of this University to become a centre of excellence for the training of professionals in mining, petroleum, technology and related engineering disciplines. Today, this investiture affords us the opportunity to confer the authority and symbol of office of a new Chancellor or Vice Chancellor. Let me take this opportunity to thank the Chairman of Council or Vice Chancellor, and all the staff of this University and all stakeholders for all the efforts put in this ceremony.

Once again, let me take the opportunity to welcome all of you for honouring our invitation to this investiture.

And now, by the powers vested in me by the Council of the University of Mines and Technology, I, Chancellor or Chairman of Council, do hereby declare this assembly duly constituted.

- 4.2 Address by the Chancellor or Chairman of Council**
- 4.3 Address by the Chairman of Council or Vice Chancellor**
- 4.4 Message from Minister for Education**

- 4.5 Induction of Chancellor or Vice Chancellor**
 - 4.5.1 Profile of Chancellor or Vice Chancellor**

The Registrar shall move to the frontage of the dais and doff off his cap, bow graciously to the Chancellor/Chairman of Council and read the profile of the Chancellor or Vice Chancellor.

4.5.2 Robing of Chancellor or Vice Chancellor

The Chancellor/Chairman of Council to be assisted by the Chairman of Council/Vice Chancellor/Registrar shall move to the frontage of the dais and doff off his cap, bow graciously and robe the Chancellor/Vice Chancellor

4.5.3 Enthronement of Chancellor or Vice Chancellor

The Chancellor or Chairman of Council shall be assisted by the Chairman of Council and Vice Chancellor or Vice Chancellor and Registrar

4.5.4 Induction Prayer over Chancellor or Vice Chancellor

The Chancellor or Vice Chancellor shall be asked by the planning committee to submit a name of a Priest of his or her choice to offer him or her prayers.

4.6 Address by Chancellor or Vice Chancellor

4.7 Dissolution of Assembly by Chancellor or Chairman of Council

The Chancellor or Chairman of Council will give a note of appreciation and then dissolve the assembly as follows:

Mr President, Guest of Honour and all persons here present. I thank all of you for your presence and forbearance during this investiture of the University of Mines and Technology. I also thank the staff and it is my belief that you will all go out to make this young University great.

We invite all stakeholders to come and join us build this University so that it can fulfill its mandate of training world class professionals in the fields of mining, petroleum, technology and related disciplines for the development of Ghana.

It is my wish and desire that God grants you all a successful journey back to your respective destinations. And now, by the powers vested in me by the Council of the University of Mines and Technology, I do hereby declare this assembly duly dissolved.

5. PRAYERS AT INVESTITURE

5.1 Investiture Opening Prayer

God of Mercies and God of Grace. God of the living and of all things, we give you thanks, praise and adoration for the gift of this day. We thank you for the opportunity that you have given us to conduct the investiture ceremony of this University to confer the authority and symbol of office of a new Chancellor or Vice Chancellor.

We are grateful to you again for the mercies you have shown to the dignitaries, invited guests, alumni, nananom and all those who have travelled from far and near to participate in this function.

We commit into your gracious hands, O God, the proceedings of this investiture ceremony to a successful end. Remind us, O Lord, of the guiding principles by which the business of this University has always been conducted, through the pursuit of knowledge, truth and excellence.

We recognize your presence and the assurance of a successful programme. This is our humble prayer, O God, as we assemble for this investiture. Amen

5.2 Investiture Closing Prayer

Not unto us, not unto us O Lord, but unto you be the honour, glory and majesty for your wondrous provision, care and support for a successful investiture.

We are grateful unto you O Lord for the life of our new Chancellor/ Vice Chancellor.

We commit him/her unto your care as he/she enters this new phase of Life or

plan for the success of this University. The Chancellor or Vice Chancellor having stated his/her vision and accepted the mandate to follow through

the rules and regulations of this University, we ask for your wisdom and grace.

As we thank you for the travelling mercies that you have granted all dignitaries and invited

guests to this function, so do we commit them all into your care for a safe journey back to their various destinations.

Bless O Lord, the work of this University and bless all who have been vested with the authority to run it. We ask for special blessings also for all who associate with this great institution. These are our humble requests, O God, as we depart from this function.

And now may the peace of God which passes all understanding keep our hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God and may he continue to bless us all as we leave the investiture grounds until we meet again. Amen.

6. SONGS AT INVESTITURE

6.1 Processional Song

1. All things praise Thee, Lord most high:
Heaven and earth and sea and sky,
All were for thy glory made,
That thy greatness thus displayed
Should all worship bring to thee;
All things praise thee: Lord, may we.
2. All things praise Thee; night to night
Sings in silent hymns of light;
All things praise Thee; day to day
Chants thy power, in burning ray;
Time and space are praising Thee,
All things praise thee: Lord may we.
3. All things praise Thee; round her zones
Earth, with her ten thousand tones,
Rolls a ceaseless choral strain;
Roaring wind and deep-voiced main,
Rustling leaf and humming bee,

All things praise Thee: Lord, may we

4. All things praise Thee; gracious Lord,
Great Creator, powerful word,
Omnipresent Spirit, now
At Thy feet we humbly bow,
Lift our hearts in praise to Thee;
All things praise Thee: Lord may we.

George William Conder

6.2 National Anthem

1. God bless our home land Ghana
And make our nation great and strong
Bold to defend forever
The cause of freedom and of right
Fill our hearts with true humility
Make us cherish fearless honesty
And help us to resist oppressors' rule
With all our will and might for evermore.
2. Hail to thy name O Ghana
To thee we make our solemn vow
Steadfast to build together
A nation strong in Unity
With our gifts of mind and strength of arm
Whether night or day in mist or storm
In every need whatever the call may be
To serve thee, Ghana, now and evermore
3. Raise high the flag of Ghana
And one with Africa advance
Black star of hope and honour

To all who thirst for liberty
Where the banner of Ghana freely flies
May the way to freedom truly lie
Arise, arise O sons of Ghanaland
And under God march on for evermore

Composed by: Philip Gbeho

6.3 University Anthem

1. God bless the University of Mines and Technology
The institution anointed with great mission
To fly above the limits of the sky
To provide higher education
To provide higher education
Through teaching, through research and through service

*Our motto is knowledge, truth and excellence,
Our motto is knowledge, truth and excellence,
UMaT, arise and shine, arise and shine, arise and shine
Yes! UMaT arise and shine*

2. Praise God for University of Mines and Technology
The institution anointed with great vision
To become a center of excellence
For the training of world class professionals
And provide Africa's urgent needs
Through teaching, through research and through service

*Our motto is knowledge, truth and excellence,
Our motto is knowledge, truth and excellence,
UMaT, arise and shine, arise and shine, arise and shine
Yes! UMaT arise and shine*

Words by: Prof. D. Mireku-Gyimah
Music by: Sir M. K. Amisah

6.4 University Song (Adopted)

1. Now praise we great and famous men,
The fathers, named in story;
And praise the Lord who now as then
Reveals in man His glory
2. Praise we the wise the brave and strong
Who graced their generation;
Who helped the right, and fought the wrong,
And made our folk a nation
3. Praise we the peaceful men of skill
Who builded homes of beauty,
And rich in art, made richer still
The brotherhood of duty
4. So praise we great and famous men
The fathers named in story;
And praise the Lord who now as then
Reveals in man His glory

William George Tarrant

(1853-1928)

6.5 Recessional Song

1. Lead us, heavenly Father, lead us
O'er the world's tempestuous sea;
Guard us, guide us, keep us, feed us,
For we have no help but thee,
Yet possessing every blessing
If our God our father be.
2. Saviour, breathe forgiveness o'er us;
All our weakness Thou dost know;
Thou didst tread this earth before us
Thou didst feel its keenest woe;
Lone and dreary, faint and weary,
Through the desert Thou didst go.

3. Spirit of our God, descending
Fill our hearts with heavenly joy,
Love with every passion blending,
Pleasure that can never cloy;
Thus provided, pardoned, guided,
Nothing can our peace destroy.

James Edmeston

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