

Policy Coversheet

Name of Policy:	The Academic Dress of the University
Purpose of Policy:	To confirm the style of academic dress to be worn by graduates of all awards of Staffordshire University
Intended audience(s):	To all graduating students registered on Staffordshire University awards
Approval for this policy given by:	Academic Board
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Individual responsible for review:	Registrar
Authorising department:	Student and Academic Services



The Academic Dress of the University

- 1.1 Robe makers appointed to the University shall be J Wippells & Son Limited of Exeter.
- 1.2 The colour scheme for the academic dress of the University shall be University Red, Grey, Black, White and Blue.
- 1.3 The gowns worn by holders of Certificates, Higher Certificates, Higher Diplomas, Diplomas, Bachelors Degrees, Degree of Master of Engineering, Postgraduate Certificates, Postgraduate Diplomas and Diplomas in Professional Studies of the University shall be of black stuff in London style.
- 1.4 The gowns worn by holders of taught Masters Degrees except that of Master of Engineering shall be grey stuff in Cambridge style, but with no sleeve or facings trimmed.
- 1.5 The gowns worn by holders of Master of Philosophy shall be grey stuff in Cambridge style, with blue facings.
- 1.6 The gowns worn by holders of Doctorates shall be of scarlet in Cambridge Doctor style, but with no taffeta trim to sleeves and facings.
- 1.7 The gowns worn by holders of Higher Doctorates and Honorary Doctorates shall be of scarlet in Cambridge Doctor style, with facings and sleeves in red taffeta.
- 1.8 The hats worn by holders of Certificates, Higher Certificates, Diplomas, Higher Diplomas, Bachelors Degrees, Degree of Master of Engineering, Postgraduate Certificates, Postgraduate Diplomas, Diplomas in Professional Studies shall be black mortarboards.
- 1.9 The hats worn by holders of Masters Degrees shall be grey mortarboard with grey tassel.
- 1.10 The hats worn by holders of Doctorates shall be scarlet velvet bonnets with blue cord and tassel.
- 1.11 The hats worn by holders of Higher and Honorary Doctorates shall be scarlet velvet bonnets with gold cord and tassel.
- 1.12 The hoods worn by holders of Certificates and Higher Certificates shall be black, Oxford Burgeon shape, fully lined white, cowl and cape turned out, with strap lined both sides white.

- 1.13 The hoods worn by holders of Diplomas and Higher Diplomas shall be black, Oxford Burgeon shape, fully lined dark grey, cowl and cape turned out with strap lined both sides, dark grey.
- 1.14 The hoods of holders of Foundation Degrees shall be grey, Oxford Burgeon shape, fully lined red, cape and cowl turned out, with strap lined both sides with white.
- 1.15 The hoods worn by holders of Bachelors Degrees shall be grey, Oxford Burgeon shape, fully lined red, cape and cowl turned out, with strap lined both sides red.
- 1.16 The hoods for holders of Postgraduate Certificates, Postgraduate Diplomas and Diplomas in Professional Studies shall be black, full shape, fully lined blue, cape and cowl turned out, with strap fully lined both sides blue.
- 1.17 The hoods for holders of Masters degrees shall be grey, full shape, fully lined with blue, cape and cowl turned out, with strap lined with sides blue.
- 1.18 The hoods for holders of Masters in Engineering (MEng), Masters in Chemistry (MChem), and Masters in Physics (MPhys) shall be grey, Oxford burgeon shape, lined red, cape and cowl turned out, with strap lined both sides with blue.
- 1.19 The hoods for holders of Doctorates shall be scarlet, full shape, lined blue, cape and cowl turned out, with strap lined both sides with blue.
- 1.20 The hoods for holders of Higher Doctorates and Honorary Doctorates shall be gold, full shape, lined white, cape and cowl turned out, with strap lined both sides white.
- 1.21 We take our responsibilities to disabled students seriously. If, for reasons of disability, you wish to make adjustments to your academic dress , please contact our Academic Dress Hirer, J Wippell and Company Limited tel: 01392 254234 or email wippell@btinternet.com as far in advance as possible.

Equality issues have been taken into account during the development of this policy and all protected characteristics have been considered as part of the Equality Analysis undertaken.