

Regulations relating to Academic Costume

1. There shall be an Academic Costume for undergraduates who have satisfied the entrance requirements of the University. An undergraduate is required to wear academic dress at such University ceremonies as the Marshal shall determine.
2. The gown of the holder of an Undergraduate Certificate shall be made of black stuff to the pattern of the gown of the Oxford Bachelor of Arts; no hood shall be worn. The yoke and facing shall be edged in narrow corded ribbon of the colour distinctive of the Faculty or of the Board of Collaborative Studies.
3. The gown of an Undergraduate Diplomate shall be made of black stuff to the pattern of the gown of the Oxford Bachelor of Arts; no hood shall be worn. The yoke and facing shall be edged in broad corded ribbon of the colour distinctive of the Faculty or of the Board of Collaborative Studies.
4. The gown of a Bachelor shall be made of black stuff to the pattern of the gown for the Oxford Bachelor of Arts.
5. The gown of a Postgraduate Diplomate shall be made of black stuff to the pattern of the gown of the Oxford Bachelor of Arts.
6. The gown of a Master shall be made either of black stuff or black silk to the pattern of the gown for the Oxford Master of Arts.
7. The undress gown of a Doctor shall be made of black silk to a pattern similar to the undress gown for the Oxford Doctor of Civil Law.
8. The full dress gown of a Doctor holding the Degree of LittD, DSc, LLD, DEng, DMet, DSc(Tech) and DMus shall be made of fine scarlet cloth to a pattern similar to the festal gowns worn by Cambridge Doctors. It shall be faced with green silk of the shade approved by the University and shall have sleeves lined with scarlet silk and looped with a green button and cord.
The full dress gown of a PhD, MD, DBA, DClinPsy, EdD, DSc, DMedSci, DEdPsy, DEdCpsy and DMin shall be made of fine scarlet cloth and shall have bell-shaped sleeves. It shall be faced with green silk of the shade approved by the University.
9. The hood of a Bachelor shall be of the Cambridge shape, made of fine green cloth, of the shade approved by the University. It shall be half-lined with white fur (artificial), and edged round the tippet with a border of silk, of the colour distinctive of the degree and of the Faculty or of the Board of Collaborative Studies.
10. The hood of a Postgraduate Diplomate and Postgraduate Certificate shall be of the Cambridge shape, made of green silk, of the shade approved by the University. It shall be edged in silk of the colour distinctive of the Faculty or of the Board of Collaborative Studies. The neckband shall be made of silk of the colour distinctive of the Faculty or of the Board of Collaborative Studies.
11. The hood of a Master shall be of the Cambridge shape, made of green silk, of the shade approved by the University. It shall be lined throughout with silk of the colour distinctive of the degree and of the Faculty.
12. The hood of a Doctor shall be of the Cambridge shape, made of red ottoman silk. It shall be lined throughout with silk of the colour prescribed in the following Regulations.
13. The colours of the silks distinctive of the various qualifications (except PhD and MPhil) shall be as follows:
Faculty of Arts and Humanities
Crushed strawberry - all qualifications except BMus, MMus and DMus
Cream brocade - BMus, MMus, and DMus
Faculty of Engineering
Purple - all qualifications
Faculty of Medicine, Dentistry and Health
Red - Medicine and Surgery
Pale rose pink - Dental Surgery
Cerise - all other qualifications
Faculty of Science
Apricot - all qualifications
Faculty of Social Sciences
Old gold - all qualifications in the School of Architecture and the Departments of Landscape and Town & Regional Planning
Pale green - all qualifications in the School of Law except BA, BA(Law) and MA
Olive green – the qualifications of BA, BA (Law) and MA in the School of Law
Lemon yellow - all other qualifications

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Saxon blue - all qualifications

14. The colour of the silk distinctive of the degrees of Doctor of Philosophy and of the degree of Master of Philosophy shall be dark green.

15. The cap to be worn by the holder of an Undergraduate Certificate, a Diplomate, a graduate or undergraduate shall be black, and of the ordinary academic shape.

A Doctor's cap shall be covered with velvet, all other caps with fine cloth.

16. A graduate, diplomate or associate in any Faculty may wear the academic costume prescribed in the Regulations in force at the time of the date of conferment of the Degree or award of the qualification.

17. A graduand and any other person who is to be presented at a Degree Congregation shall wear the appropriate academic dress over suitable clothes of subdued colour, or Naval, Military or Air Force uniform. The Marshal may exclude from presentation any candidate whose attire does not, in the Marshal's opinion, comply with this regulation.