Instructions for wearing the Academic Hood

Congratulations! You have earned your degree and the right to wear the academic hood.

The academic hood is a visual representation of your level of academic achievement and the scholastic degree being conferred.

This hood has been designed within the guidelines established by the Intercollegiate Bureau Of Academic Costume.

The following instructions are designed to assist you in the proper way to wear the hood.

1. Put hood on over head with velvet side up and with small tapered end in front.
2. If hood has a cord and button, attach the hood neck cord over shirt button before closing gown, to prevent hood from riding against neck.
3. Obtain assistance to secure cord across the back to keep the back of hood together.
4. Obtain assistance to turn out lining colors as illustrated in picture.

- Velvet/Velveteen Trim: represents learning discipline
- Lining: represents college/university conferring degree.
- Chevron: represents college/university conferring degree.
- Black Shell: traditional color determined by the Intercollegiate Bureau Of Academic Costume.

*Frequently asked question: What is the proper tassel placement of doctoral and master’s graduates?