

University Rules: Academic Regalia Rules

1. These Rules may be cited as the Academic Regalia Rules and are made pursuant to Statute 26 – Conferral and Presentation of Awards of the University.
2. The official regalia of this University shall be as follows:
The academic gowns of the Chancellor, Pro-Chancellor and senior officers of the University, as referred to in c), d) and e), are all made in the Oxford University style. The gown is gathered on to a yoke at the back and flows loosely in the front. There are no ties. All the gowns are made of black light weight wool. Rank is identified by a variety of trimmings.

The Chancellor, Pro-Chancellor and Vice-Chancellor wear a hat in the mortarboard style. A Tudor bonnet is worn by other senior officers of the University.

The design and trim of all regalia will be appropriate to the person's rank and is listed below.

- (a) Chancellor: The Chancellor's gown shall have a forty seven centimetre wide square collar at the back made of blue satin on which is embroidered the Edith Cowan University crest in gold metallic thread. The gown shall have a thirteen centimetre wide front facing comprising of a five and a half centimetre width of blue satin on inside edges, and a seven and a half centimetre embroidered braid on the outer edge of the facing. The braid shall be the kangaroo paw and boronia motif in gold metallic thread, edged both sides with the chancellery lace in gold metallic thread. This embroidered border edges the square collar and extends the full length of the gown at the front. The full length sleeves of the gown shall have a seven centimetre border of blue satin at the cuff.

The hat shall be a mortarboard style, made of black velvet with a gold beehive button and a gold tassel. The crown of the mortarboard shall have the same seven and a half centimetre wide embroidered braid with the kangaroo paw and boronia motif in gold metallic thread, edged both sides with the chancellery lace in gold metallic thread, as the gown.

- (b) Pro-Chancellor: The Pro-Chancellor's gown shall have a forty five centimetre wide square collar at the back made of blue satin on which is embroidered the Edith Cowan University crest in gold metallic thread. The gown shall have a twelve centimetre wide front facing comprising of a seven centimetre width of blue satin on inside edges, and a five centimetre embroidered braid on the outer edge of the facing. The braid shall be the kangaroo paw and boronia motif in gold metallic thread. This embroidered border edges the square collar and extends the full length of the gown at the front. The full length sleeves of the gown shall have a seven centimetre border of blue satin at the cuff.

The hat shall be a mortarboard style, made of black velvet with a gold beehive button and a gold tassel. The crown of the mortarboard shall have the same five centimetre wide embroidered braid with the kangaroo paw and boronia motif in gold metallic thread as the gown.

- (c) Vice-Chancellor: The Vice-Chancellor's gown shall have a forty five centimetre wide square collar at the back made of blue satin on which is embroidered the Edith Cowan University crest in gold and silver metallic thread. The gown shall have a thirteen centimetre wide front facing comprising of a five and a half centimetre width of blue satin on inside edges, and a seven and a half centimetre embroidered braid on the outer edge of the facing. The braid shall be the kangaroo paw and boronia motif in gold and silver metallic thread, edged both sides with the chancellery lace in silver metallic thread. This embroidered border edges the square collar and extends the full length of the gown at the front. The full length sleeves of the gown shall have a seven centimetre border of blue satin at the cuff.

The hat shall be a mortarboard style, made of black velvet with a gold beehive button and a gold tassel. The crown of the mortarboard shall have the same seven and a half centimetre wide embroidered braid with the kangaroo paw and boronia motif in gold and silver metallic thread, edged both sides with the chancellery lace in silver metallic thread, as the gown.

- (d) Deputy Vice-Chancellors and Vice President (Resources) and Chief Financial Officer: The gown for the Deputy Vice-Chancellors and the Vice-President (Resources) and Chief Financial Officer of the University shall have a forty five centimetre wide square collar at the back made of blue satin on which is embroidered the Edith Cowan University crest in gold and silver metallic thread. The gown shall have a twelve centimetre wide front facing comprising of a seven centimetre width of blue satin on inside edges, and a five centimetre embroidered braid on the outer edge of the facing. The braid shall be the kangaroo paw and boronia motif in gold and silver metallic thread. This embroidered border edges the square collar and extends the full length of the gown at the front. The full length sleeves of the gown shall have a seven centimetre border of blue satin at the cuff.

The hat shall be a black velvet Tudor bonnet edged with silver cord trim. The hat shall also have gold cord trim around the crown with a gold tassel, and a silver beehive button.

- (e) Pro-Vice-Chancellors and Executive Director (Governance and Planning): The gown for the Pro-Vice-Chancellors and the Executive Director (Governance and Planning) shall have a forty five centimetre wide square collar at the back made of blue satin on which is embroidered the Edith Cowan University crest in silver metallic thread. The gown shall have a twelve centimetre wide front facing comprising of a seven centimetre width of blue satin on inside edges, and a five centimetre embroidered braid on the outer edge of the facing. The braid shall be the kangaroo paw and boronia motif in silver metallic thread. This embroidered border edges the square collar and extends the full length of the gown at the front. The full length sleeves of the gown shall have a seven centimetre border of blue satin at the cuff.

The hat shall be a black velvet Tudor bonnet edged with silver cord trim. The hat shall also have silver cord trim around the crown with a silver tassel, and a silver beehive button.

3. The academic dress for graduates of this University shall be:

- (a) Gowns are worn by all graduates receiving designated awards of the University.
- (i) For all academic awards of the University designated by Council, with the exception of Master and Doctoral level awards: Black stuff gown similar in shape to that worn by Bachelor of Arts graduates of the University of Cambridge.
 - (ii) Master: Black stuff gown similar in shape to that worn by Master of Arts graduates of the University of Cambridge.
 - (iii) Professional Doctorate: Black stuff gown similar in shape to that worn by Master of Arts graduates of the University of Cambridge but with two facings each of ten centimetres in width down the full length of the front of the gown in the colour appropriate to the degree.
 - (iv) Doctor of Philosophy: Blue stuff gown as prescribed for Bachelor of Arts graduates of the University of Cambridge but with facings of Red Satin ten centimetres wide the full length of the front with a trimming of one half centimetre wide gold cotton braid and with the sleeves faced on the outside in ten centimetre wide red satin trimmed at the top edge with one half centimetre wide gold cotton braid.
 - (v) Fellow: Black stuff gown similar in shape to that worn by Master of Arts graduates of the University of Cambridge.
 - (vi) Honorary Doctor: Yellow stuff gown as prescribed for the University Cambridge Doctor of Divinity with altered sleeve but with facings of blue satin ten centimetre wide the full length of the front with a trimming of one half a centimetre wide red cotton braid. Sleeves faced on the outside in ten centimetre wide red cotton braid and fully lined in blue satin.
- (b) Hoods are worn by recipients of honorary, postgraduate and Bachelor awards. Graduates from all other awards wear a sash as prescribed in 3(c).
- (i) Except for the Doctor of Philosophy hoods, all hoods shall be of the simple plain cut shape similar to the hood worn by Bachelor of Arts graduates of the University of Oxford and shall be black stuff or silk lined with satin of the colour proper to the degree as prescribed hereinafter.
 - (ii) Bachelor and all postgraduate awards other than Master and Doctoral awards: Black stuff hood lined with satin of the prescribed colour and edged with white satin three centimetres wide.
 - (iii) Master: Black stuff hood lined with satin of the prescribed colour.
 - (iv) Professional Doctorate: Black stuff hood lined with satin of the prescribed colour.
 - (v) Doctor of Philosophy: A hood of the Oxford Doctorate shape, in University blue stuff or silk and lined with University red satin.

- (vi) Fellow: University blue silk or satin hood lined with red satin and edged with gold satin five centimetres wide over cowl and tippet. Oxford Doctorate shape. Colour to be showing over both shoulders.
 - (vii) Honorary Doctor: Cambridge full shape yellow stuff hood lined with blue satin and edged with red cotton braid over cowl tippet and neck band.
 - (c) Sashes are worn by recipients of awards other than honorary, postgraduate and Bachelor awards. Sashes have a single black diagonal stripe with 2.5 cm braid running along the length bearing at breast height the institution crest in use at the time of conferral of the award and shall be of a coloured stuff as follows:
 - (i) Awards existing prior to 1st January 1992.
School of Arts and Applied Sciences Pink
School of Community and Language Studies Yellow
School of Business Tuscan Yellow
School of Education Blue
School of Nursing Maroon
Academy of Performing Arts Tangerine
 - (ii) Awards introduced on or after 1st January 1992.
Faculty of Science and Technology Pink
Faculty of Arts Yellow
Faculty of Business Tuscan Yellow
Faculty of Education Blue
Faculty of Health and Human Sciences Maroon
Academy Tangerine
 - (iii) Awards introduced on or after the 1st January 1999 shall be determined by the Field of Study to which the award is allocated and shall be as follows;
Science Emerald Green BCC 213
Arts, Humanities & Social Sciences Royal Blue BCC 197
Business Tuscan Yellow BCC 233
Education Sky Blue BCC 162
Health Sciences Ruby BCC 38
Visual and Performing Arts Peacock Blue BCC 120
Law, Legal Studies Royal Purple BCC 110
Agriculture, Animal Husbandry Bronze BCC 116
Architecture, Building White BCC 1
Engineering Gold BCC 114
 - (d) Hats are worn by all graduates receiving designated awards of the University.
 - (i) Doctor of Philosophy: Blue Tudor Bonnet of the same stuff as the gown and it shall have two tassels around the crown in the colour red. The tassels shall be fixed to fall on the left side.
 - (ii) Professional Doctorate: Black velvet mortarboard.
 - (iii) All other graduates: Black cloth mortarboard.
 - (iv) Fellow: Black velvet mortarboard.
 - (v) Honorary Doctor: Black velvet mortarboard.
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- (a) The colours of the linings of the dress for degrees shall be as determined by the University Council from time to time and shall be defined by reference to the British Colour Council Dictionary of Colour Standards (2nd Edition 1951). The colours of the linings of the dress for degrees shall be as determined by the University Council from time to time and shall be defined by reference to the British Colour Council Dictionary of Colour Standards (2nd Edition 1951).
 - (b) Until otherwise prescribed the colours shall be determined by the Field of Study to which the award is attributed and shall be as follows:
 - Science Emerald Green BCC 213
 - Arts, Humanities & Social Sciences Royal Blue BCC 197
 - Business Tuscan Yellow BCC 233
 - Education Sky Blue BCC 162

Health Sciences Ruby BCC 38
Visual and Performing Arts Peacock Blue BCC 120
Law, Legal Studies Royal Purple BCC 110
Agriculture, Animal Husbandry Bronze BCC 116
Architecture, Building White BCC 1
Engineering Gold BCC 114

- (c) Hoods shall be worn with the colours displayed over the right shoulder except that graduates of bachelor awards at the pass level shall wear hoods with the colour displayed over the left shoulder.
 - (d) Master hood colours shall be determined by the Field of Study with the colour displayed over both shoulders.
 - (e) Professional Doctorate hood colours shall be determined by the Field of Study with the colour displayed over both shoulders.
 - (f) Doctor of Philosophy gowns and hoods shall be of blue stuff or silk BCC 218 and the red satin shall be BCC 210.
5. Edith Cowan University will allow graduands who have previously graduated at a higher level, who are being awarded another lesser award, to wear the regalia for their higher degree.

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Information on the academic regalia of the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge can be found in the following publication (ECU Library Dewey Number R378.28 SMI):

Smith, Hugh. 1970. *Academic dress and insignia of the world: gowns, hats, chains of office, hoods, rings, medals and other degree insignia of universities and other institutions of learning*, A. A. Balkema, Cape Town.