

SCHOOL OF GRADUATE STUDIES NORTH CAROLINA A&T STATE UNIVERSITY



REQUIRED COMMENCEMENT ATTIRE

Full academic regalia is required to participate in the commencement ceremony. Students without academic regalia will *not* be allowed to participate in the ceremony.

Women wear dark dresses, no jeans, dark shoes, no high collars, or bows at neck, no corsages, or jewelry on the robe.

Men wear white shirts, dark tie, dark trousers, no jeans, dress shoes, no fraternity boots.

Candidates are expected to remain in the Coliseum arena seated until the end of the commencement ceremony.

Degree covers will be distributed to each candidate after the program ends.

*The **tassel** is attached to the center of the cap. Tradition dictates that doctoral and master's graduates flick the tassel on the cap from left to right when the degree is conferred.

Instructions for wearing the Academic Hood

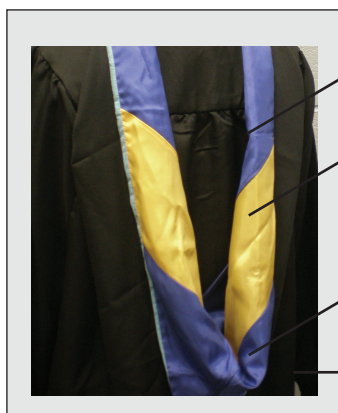
Congratulations! You have earned your degree and the right to wear the academic hood.

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?