

# DUT 2024 AUTUMN GRADUATION

UNLOCKED EXCELLENCE # ADAPTIVE GRADUATES



## GRADUATION ATTIRE

### WHAT TO WEAR TO THE GRADUATION CEREMONY

In keeping with the formal nature of our graduation ceremony, we would like to remind you that the dress code is formal or traditional.

You are not permitted to wear academic dress pertaining to previously obtained qualifications. There are six styles of hoods. Each style indicates the level of academic achievement. Your hood must reflect your faculty colour as follows:



## ACADEMIC DRESS AND HEADWEAR

QUALIFICATION	SPECIFICATION FOR ACADEMIC DRESS AND HEADWEAR
Doctoral Degrees	Union Jack Red gown with long-pointed sleeves pulled up in faculty colour. A hood and an oval Doctor's bonnet with faculty coloured cord and tassels.  You should not wear the Doctor's bonnet before the certificate has been received.
Masters Degrees	Black gown with long-pointed sleeves, pleated up with champagne cord and button. A hood and a black mortarboard with black tassel.  You should not wear the mortarboard before the certificate has been received.
Postgraduate Diploma, Professional Bachelor's Degree, Bachelor Honours Degree	Black gown with long pointed sleeves, pleated up with a black ribbon. A hood and a mortarboard with a black tassel.  You should not wear the mortarboard before the certificate has been received.
3 Year Diploma, Bachelor's Degrees, Postgraduate Certificates	Black gown with long pointed sleeves, pleated up with a black ribbon. A hood and a mortarboard with a black tassel.  You should not wear the mortarboard before the certificate has been received.
3 Year Diploma	Black gown with pointed sleeve, pleated up with a black ribbon. A hood and mortarboard with black tassel.  You should not wear the mortarboard before the certificate has been received.
Advanced Certificate, 2 Year Diploma	Black gown with pointed sleeve, pleated up with a black ribbon. A hood and mortarboard with black tassel.  You should not wear the mortarboard before the certificate has been received.
Higher Certificate	Black gown with long-pointed sleeves, pleated up with a black ribbon.  No mortarboard and hood is required.

## HOW TO HIRE YOUR ACADEMIC DRESS?

In keeping with university traditions, you must wear the correct academic dress when attending your graduation ceremony. If you do not, you might not be admitted to the graduation hall.

**PLEASE ENSURE THAT YOUR ACADEMIC DRESS COMPLIES WITH THE UNIVERSITY'S SPECIFICATIONS FOR YOUR QUALIFICATION.**

It is your responsibility to make the necessary arrangements for your academic dress for your graduation ceremony.

The university does not facilitate any arrangements in this regard. Please ensure that you order your academic dress in time for your graduation ceremony.

You may purchase or hire your academic attire from House of Graduates who are the official suppliers and they will provide the correct attire for your qualification. Please see the enclosed order form on how to order or purchase your academic attire.

To access the House of Graduates Order Form, please

[CLICK HERE](#)

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## PHOTOGRAPHIC AND VIDEOGRAPHY SERVICES

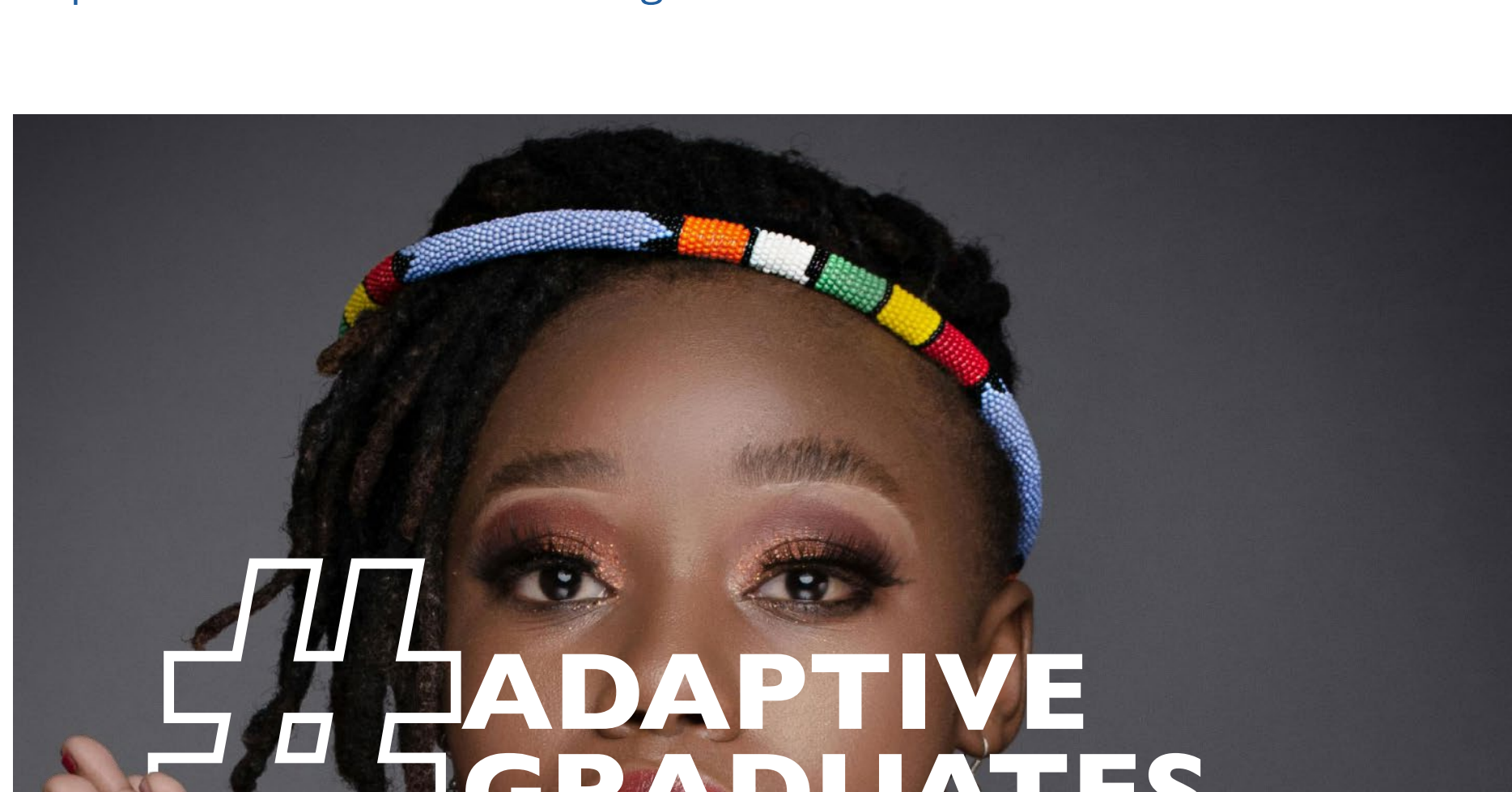
An accredited photographer and videographer has been appointed to take your official photographs on stage and record all graduation ceremonies.

Your guests should refrain from taking their own photographs and any recording during the ceremony.

The accredited photographer and videographer will issue details to you on the day of your graduation for payment and collections.

For the sake of family and friends who are unable to attend the event, we will also be livestreaming the ceremonies, check our website

<https://www.dut.ac.za/autumn-graduation-ceremonies-2024>



## CEREMONY PROTOCOL

### ACADEMIC PROCESSION PROTOCOL

You must rise when the academic procession:

- Enters the hall at the commencement of the ceremony and remain standing until the stage party is seated.
- Leaves the hall at the end of the ceremony.

### DIPLOMA AND DEGREE RECIPIENTS

- When prompted by a DUT staff member, you will walk onto the stage from the left carrying your seating card in your right hand and your hood over your left arm.
- Once on stage, you will hand your card to the Executive Dean/Executive Dean's representative, who will read out your name.
- After your name has been read out, the card will be returned to you. You will then walk towards the Chancellor who will confer the degree/diploma by lightly tapping your head.
- You will then approach the Registrar/Registrar's representative, who will be at the end of the stage. You will hand your hood to the Registrar/Registrar's representative, and then turn to face the audience. A photograph is taken once the Registrar/Registrar's representative places your hood over your shoulders.
- You will then leave the stage, after which your certificate will be handed to you.
- You will return to your seat and remain seated until the ceremony is concluded.

### CERTIFICATE RECIPIENTS

- When prompted by a DUT staff member you will walk onto the stage from the left-hand side.
- Once on stage, you will hand your card to the Executive Dean/Executive Dean's representative, who will read out your name.
- After your name has been read out, your card will be returned to you.
- Then walk towards the Vice-Chancellor who will congratulate you with a handshake.
- Then approach the Registrar/Registrar's representative, where a photograph will be taken.
- You will then leave the stage, after which your certificate will be handed to you.
- Return to your seat and remain seated until the ceremony is concluded.

### DURATION OF CEREMONY

- Your ceremony is expected to last approximately 2 hours. Graduates and guests are requested to remain seated for the full duration of the ceremony. As a courtesy and respect for your fellow graduates, please do not leave the venue until the ceremony is concluded.

### GENERAL

- Vuvuzelas, whistles or any noise-emitting instruments are strictly prohibited and will be confiscated before entering the hall.
- No food or drink will be allowed in the hall.
- In case of a medical emergency, a paramedic will be available.