

How to properly wear your master's or doctorate hood

Put on your gown first, then your hood, and finally your cap. If possible, recruit someone to help adjust your hood, once it is on.



Before you put on the hood, make sure the button/cord on the back is unhooked.



With the tapered end in the front, place the hood over your head with the trim closest to your face.



Fasten the front cord around a button on your clothing to ensure your hood stays in place. If your clothing doesn't have a button, you can attach to the zipper on your gown or safety pin it to your clothing.



In the back, just below the button/cord, flip the trim outwards so both the velvet and the silk are visible. This is called flaring the colors. (This is where you will need to ask someone to help you adjust or you can try and set it before putting the hood on).



Secure the hood by fastening the cord around the button.

Hood Features

- 1. **Shell**: The outer part of the hood, black to match the gown.
- 2. **Trim**: The velvet strip on the edge of the shell, indicates the degree earned
- MS, MBS, MSTM, MSMDE, MSGDA, MSGC | Golden Yellow
- MENG | Orange
- MSCM | Cadmium Green
- PharmD | Green
- PhD | Dark Blue
- 3. **Front Cord**: Sewn at the front center of the hood where the velvet meets the shell, keeps the hood away from the neck.
- 4. **Button/Cord**: Sewn midway up the lining where the lining meets the trim, helps keep the hood in place when worn.
- 5. **Lining**: The inside of the shell chevrons will be teal and red, to represent KGI.

