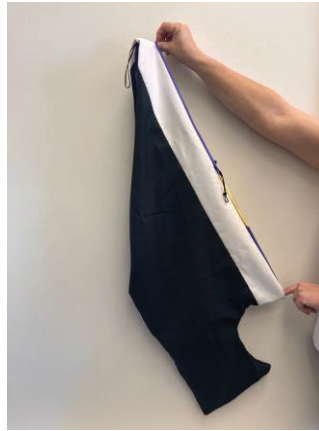




How to Properly Wear Your Graduate Hood

Step-by-Step Instructions



First, start with your gown on. Straighten your hood out with the black side outward. Put the v-shape with the string over your head with the tail of the hood to your back. Your degree-type color (example hood pictured has white for the MA degree) should be face up and around your neck and at your shoulders.



Next, open your gown zipper in the front, loop the strap around the button on the inside of the gown (you may also use a shirt button if you prefer or use a safety pin), and zip the gown back up. Looping the strap around a button will help keep the hood in place and from pulling at your neck.

In the back, find the loop of string on the left side of the hood, take it *under* the hood and fasten it to the button on the right side of the hood as pictured below. You may want to knot the loop of string a time or two before fastening around the button for a firmer fit.



Next, adjust your hood as shown below.



Note: Flip the purple and gold outward to show the university colors (purple and gold) better. Your degree-type color (white, blue, yellow, apricot, etc.) should show face up around your neck and to your shoulders and then you should adjust the purple and gold to show behind your shoulders and down your back as pictured. You may need someone's assistance with the adjustments to the hood in the back.

Great job! You are ready for commencement! Good luck!!