University of London Academic Dress Regulations

Gowns

Gowns for diplomas, first and taught graduate degrees are black.

The Research degree gowns are as follow:
- MPhil: Black gowns with a claret ribbon on the front facings
- MS: A violet corded silk gown
- MDS: An olive green corded silk gown
- PhD: A claret coloured gown with lighter claret silk facings and blue ribbon.
- MD: A scarlet gown with violet facings.

Specialist Doctors (DClinPsy, DEdPsy, DPsych) have claret gowns with facings of ruby (pink) silk.

Higher Doctors have scarlet gowns with facings as follow:
- DLit: Russet brown
- LLD: Blue
- DSc: Gold (Yellow)

Hoods

Holders of UCL diplomas wear a black hood lined with blue silk and tipped with purple silk.
Holders of University of London Diplomas have a black hood with a white, red and blue twisted cord around the cowl.

Bachelor’s hoods are black, faced with 3” silk of the degree colour:
- BA Russet Brown
- BSc Gold (Yellow)
- BSc (Econ) Gold (Yellow)
- BSc (Eng) Gold (Yellow)
- BEng Turquoise
- LLB Blue
- MBBS Violet

(Members of Convocation may have the rest of the hood lined with white silk) Master’s hoods are black, fully lined inside and edged with silk of the degree colour.

- MA Russet Brown
- MArch Silver Grey
- MClinDent Silver Grey
- MEng Turquoise
- MFA Silver Grey
- MRes Silver Grey
- MSc & MSci Gold (Yellow)
- LLM Blue
- MPhil Claret (with a blue binding around the cape and cowl)
- MDS Olive Green
- MS Violet

(Members of Convocation may have a 1” facing of white silk inside the cowl of the hood)
Specialist Doctors have a hood of claret cloth lined with ruby (pink) silk.

The Doctor of Philosophy hood is of claret cloth lined with lighter claret and bound around the cape and cowl with blue silk. Other Doctors have hoods of scarlet cloth lined with the same colour silk as the facings on their gowns (see above).

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Caps/Hats

Undergraduates, holders of diplomas, graduate taught degrees and the MPhil, MDS and MS wear a black cloth square cap (mortarboard) with a black tassel. Women with the above degrees may also wear a black soft square cap (Oxford cap). Research Doctors and Higher Doctors may wear a black velvet Tudor bonnet with the cord and tassel colour the same colour as that for the gown facings.