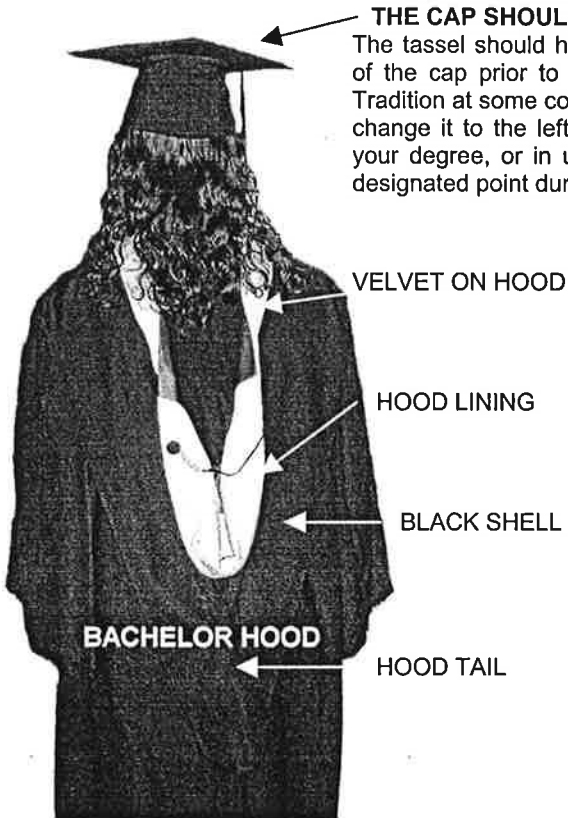


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How to properly wear your academic attire.

Can I decorate my cap?

You may decorate your cap, as long as the height, width, and length of the cap remain unchanged (nothing sticking up or overhanging). There should also be some black visible on the top. Any caps not adhering to these guidelines, or containing inappropriate language or images, will be removed at lineup. In other words, have fun, but keep it appropriate please!



THE CAP SHOULD BE WORN LEVEL.
 The tassel should hang from the right side of the cap prior to receiving your degree. Tradition at some colleges requires that you change it to the left side after you receive your degree, or in unison as a group at a designated point during the ceremony.

The hood should be placed over your head so that it drapes off your shoulders and over the back of your gown. The velvet border should be on the outside as indicated in the picture above.

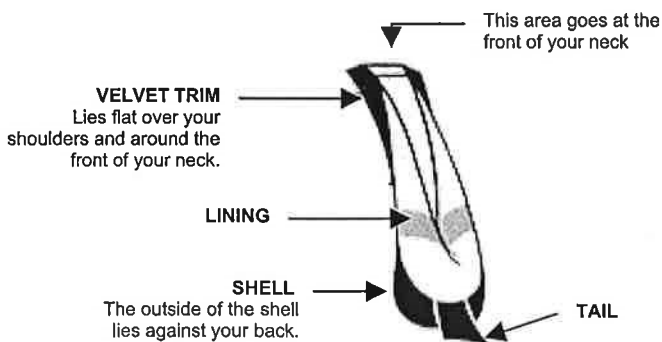
The lining of the hood is turned out so that the color(s) identifying the institution conferring the degree are prominently displayed. This can be accomplished by turning the velvet trim to the outside at the back just below your shoulders.



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