

COMMENCEMENT

HANDBOOK

Touro University Worldwide

2017

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TOURO UNIVERSITY WORLDWIDE

Office of the Chief Executive Officer

Dear Graduating Students:

On behalf of the Touro University Worldwide faculty, staff and administration, I want to extend my congratulations to you upon the achievement of your degree. The Sixth Annual Touro University Worldwide Commencement Ceremony will be held on Sunday, June 4, 2017 at 2:00pm in the Cypress Community Center. Students earning a degree by Summer I 2017 are eligible to participate in this year's Commencement.

The Commencement Handbook will provide you and your guests with all the necessary information required to plan for this auspicious occasion. The map of the exact location of the ceremony is provided on page 7. We sincerely thank you for attending Touro University Worldwide and celebrate your accomplishment. We encourage you to remain involved with TUW through the Alumni Association and University LinkedIn page. I look forward to seeing you at Commencement!

Sincerely,

Dr. Yoram Neumann
Chief Executive Officer

General Information

COMMENCEMENT SCHEDULE

Sunday – June 4, 2017
2:00pm PST

Cypress Community Center
5700 Orange Ave.
Cypress, CA 90630

Graduate Arrival	12:30pm
Graduate Photos	1:00pm
Graduate Lineup	1:30pm
Ceremony Begins	2:00pm

THE ACADEMIC DRESS

*Adapted from the American Council on Education
Historical Overview of the Academic Costume Code and
Academic Costume Code*

History

The origins of academic dress date back to the 12th and 13th centuries, when universities were taking form. The ordinary dress of the scholar whether student or teacher, was the dress of a cleric. With few exceptions, the medieval scholar had taken at least minor orders, made certain vows, and perhaps been tonsured. Long gowns were worn and may have been necessary for warmth in unheated buildings. Hoods seem to have served to cover the tonsured head until superseded for that purpose by the skull cap.

A statute of the University of Coimbra in 1321 required that all "Doctors, Licentiates, and Bachelors" wear gowns. In England, in the second half of the 14th century, the statutes of certain colleges forbade "excess in apparel" and prescribed the wearing of a long gown. In the days of Henry VIII of England, Oxford and Cambridge first began prescribing a definite academic dress and made it a matter of university control even to the extent of its minor details.

The assignment of colors to signify certain faculties was to be a much later development, and one which was to be standardized only in the United States in the late 19th century. White taken from the white fur trimming of the Oxford and Cambridge B.A. hoods was assigned to arts and letters. Red, one of the traditional colors of the church, went to theology. Green, the color of medieval herbs, was adopted for medicine, and olive, because it was so close to green, was given to pharmacy. Golden yellow, standing for the wealth which scientific research has produced, was assigned to the sciences.

European institutions have always had great diversity in their specifications of academic dress and this has been a source of confusion. In contrast, American colleges and universities opted for a definite

system that all might follow. A significant contribution to the development of this system was made by Gardner Cotrell Leonard of Albany, New York. Mr. Leonard designed gowns for his class at Williams College in 1887 and had them made by Cotrell and Leonard, a firm established by his family in Albany, New York. He was greatly interested in the subject and following the publication of an article by him on academic dress in 1893, he was invited to work with an Intercollegiate Commission made up of representatives of leading institutions to establish a suitable system of academic apparel.

TUW Regalia

Touro University Worldwide regalia should be ordered by the graduate no later than **Thursday, April 27, 2017** to ensure timely receipt and to prevent additional charges issued by the supplier. All regalia including cap, gown, hood, and honor cords (if applicable) should be ordered directly from [Jostens](#). It is the sole responsibility of the graduate to obtain appropriate regalia representative of their degree. **All graduates are required to wear regalia to participate in the commencement ceremony.**

No regalia will be made available at the commencement.

Gowns

Touro University Worldwide gowns are black. The gown for associate and bachelor degrees have pointed sleeves and are designed to be worn closed. The gown for master degrees have an oblong sleeve, opens at the wrist, like the others. The sleeve base hangs down in the traditional manner. The rear part of its oblong shape is square cut, and the front part has an arc cut away. The gown is so designed and supplied with fasteners that it may be worn open or closed. The gown for the doctor's degree has bell-shaped sleeves.

Gowns for the associate, bachelor and master degrees are untrimmed. For the doctor degrees, the gown is faced down the front with black velvet; three bars of velvet are used across the sleeves. These facings and crossbars may be of velvet of the color distinctive of the disciplines to which the degree pertains, thus agreeing in color with the binding or edging of the hood appropriate to the particular doctor's degree in every instance.

For all academic purposes, including trimmings of doctors' gowns and edging of hoods, the colors associated with the different disciplines are as follows:

<i>Agriculture</i>	<i>Maize</i>	<i>Music</i>	<i>Pink</i>
<i>Arts, Letters, Humanities</i>	<i>White</i>	<i>Nursing</i>	<i>Apricot</i>
<i>Commerce, Accountancy, Business</i>	<i>Drab</i>	<i>Oratory (Speech)</i>	<i>Silver Gray</i>
<i>Dentistry</i>	<i>Lilac</i>	<i>Pharmacy</i>	<i>Olive Green</i>
<i>Economics</i>	<i>Copper</i>	<i>Philosophy</i>	<i>Dark Blue</i>
<i>Education</i>	<i>Light Blue</i>	<i>Physical Education</i>	<i>Sage Green</i>
<i>Engineering</i>	<i>Orange</i>	<i>Public Administration, Foreign Service</i>	<i>Peacock Blue</i>
<i>Fine Arts, including Architecture</i>	<i>Brown</i>	<i>Public Health</i>	<i>Salmon Pink</i>
<i>Forestry</i>	<i>Russet</i>	<i>Science</i>	<i>Golden Yellow</i>
<i>Journalism</i>	<i>Crimson</i>	<i>Social Work</i>	<i>Citron</i>
<i>Law</i>	<i>Purple</i>	<i>Theology</i>	<i>Scarlet</i>
<i>Library Science</i>	<i>Lemon</i>	<i>Veterinary Science</i>	<i>Gray</i>
<i>Medicine</i>	<i>Green</i>		

Hoods

Touro University Worldwide hoods are black. Hoods are worn for master and doctor degrees. Only hoods worn for the doctor degree have panels at the sides.

Hoods are lined with navy blue, a light blue chevron and gold accent. The binding or edging of the hood is to be velvet or velveteen. Width of binding or edging is based on degree and the color should be indicative of the subject to which the degree pertains (see Page 2).

Caps

Touro University Worldwide caps are black. Caps for associate, bachelor and master degrees are mortarboards. Only doctor's degree caps are velvet. A long tassel is to be fastened to the middle point of the top of the cap only. The tassel should be black for associate, bachelor and master degree. A tassel of gold should be used for the doctor cap.

HONORS

Graduation Honors Recognition

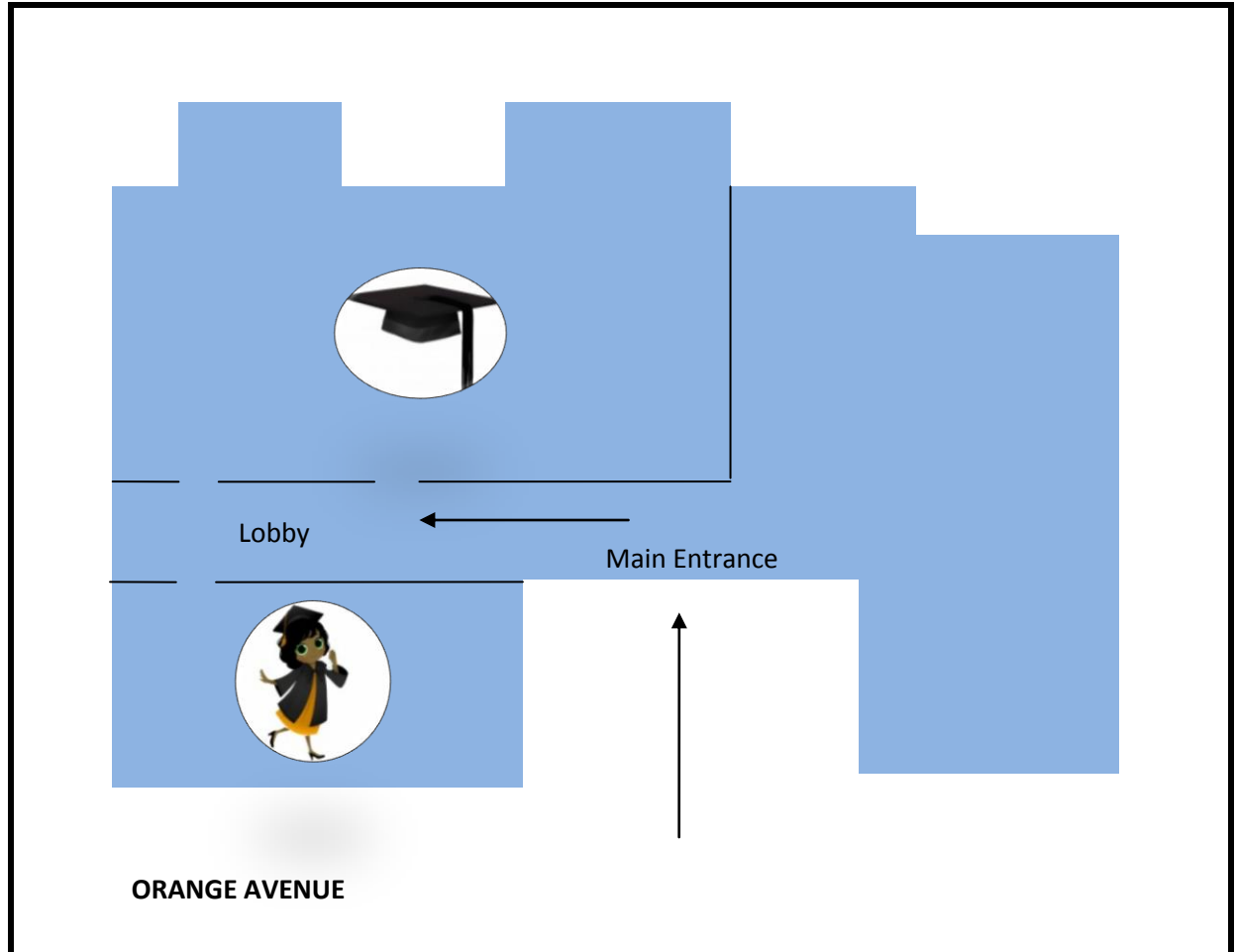
Exceptional scholarship is recognized upon graduation for students based on the following scale:

- Summa Cum Laude: 3.90 – 4.0
- Magna Cum Laude: 3.75 – 3.89
- Cum Laude: 3.60 – 3.74

Graduates who fall into the above categories may purchase honor cords at the time of their regalia to wear during the commencement.

COMMENCEMENT MAP

Commencement is located in the Grand Ballroom of the Cypress Community Center.



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Grand Ballroom – Commencement Location



Community Room – Graduate and Faculty Dressing Room

Information for Graduates

PARTICIPATION IN THE CEREMONY

In order to participate in Commencement 2017 as a graduating student, you will need to apply for graduation by completing a [TUW Application for Graduation](#) and submitting it to the [Office of the Registrar](#) when you are enrolled in your last course of the program. You are also required to RSVP for commencement by sending an email with your full name and number of guests to graduation@tw.edu

Final RSVP for Commencement is requested no later than **April 27, 2017**.

*Both an application for graduation and RSVP for the commencement ceremony must be received in order for you to participate in Commencement 2017 activities.

**Submission of an application for graduation is not a substitution for RSVP of attendance of or participation in the Commencement 2017 activities.

*****Please Note: Doctoral Students**

*Only students who have successfully defended their **completed dissertation** and have been approved by the Provost may be considered for participation in the commencement ceremony. (This does not mean only the proposal defense). The graduation of the PsyD student is based on completion and defense of the **entire and final dissertation**. The Dissertation has to be completed and defended no later than Spring I 2017.*

GRADUATE LINEUP

Graduates should arrive no later than 12:30pm PST, **90 minutes** prior to the processional, for check-in and participation in professional graduate photos. Graduates will be instructed by a faculty or staff member to lineup at 1:30pm PST, **30 minutes** prior to the processional, by program and degree level as follows: Associate, Bachelor, Master, and Doctor.

UNIVERSITY SCHOOLS AND PROGRAMS

School of General Studies

- Associate Degree in General Studies

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School of Business and Management

- Bachelor of Science in Business Administration and Management
- Master of Arts in Industrial and Organizational Psychology
- Master of Business Administration
- Master of Science in Human Resource Management
- Master of Dispute Resolution

School of Health and Human Services

- Bachelor of Arts in Social Work
- Bachelor of Science in Health Sciences
- Master of Arts in Marriage and Family Therapy
- Master of Science in Health Sciences

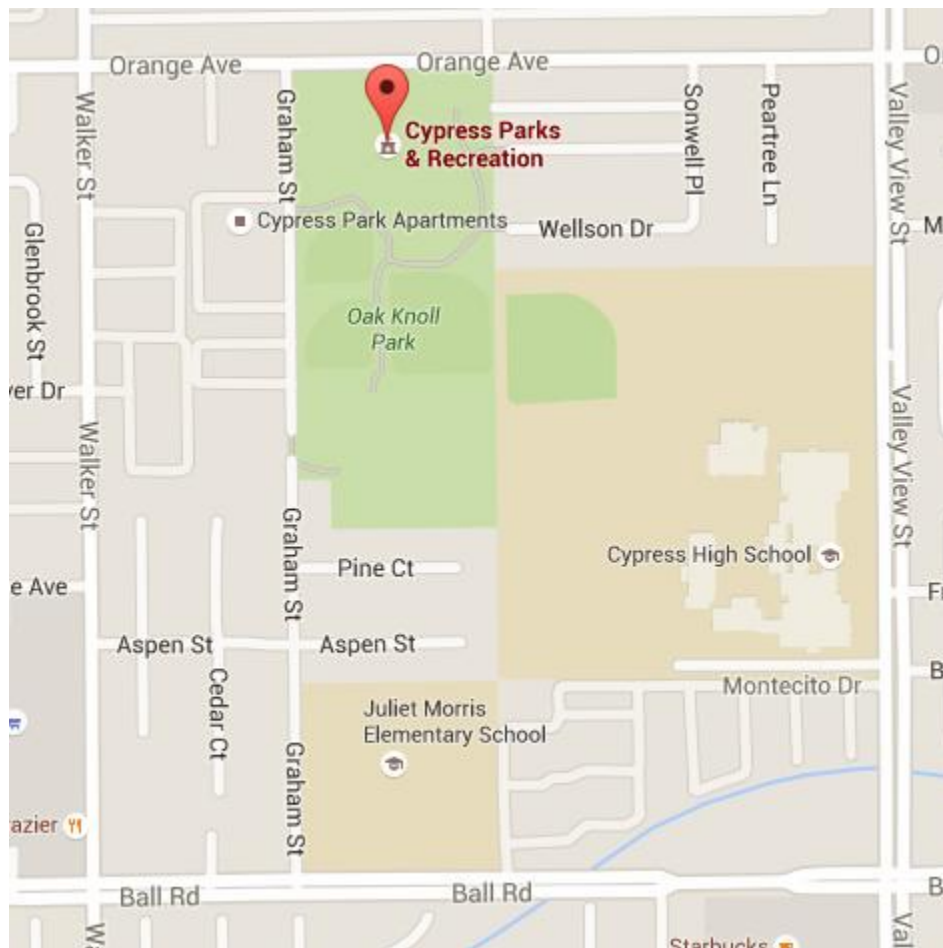
School of Psychology

- Bachelor of Arts in Psychology
- Master of Arts in Psychology
- Doctor of Psychology in Human and Organizational Psychology

Information for Guests

GUEST INFORMATION

Tickets will not be distributed nor are they required to attend the ceremony. However, we do ask that the graduating student include number of guests when they RSVP by email to graduation@tuw.edu. This year the commencement location is the Cypress Community Center located at 5700 Orange Ave, Cypress, CA 90630 and will take place on Sunday, June 4, 2017 at 2:00pm PST. Cross streets are Valley View Street and Walker Street. Guests are asked to arrive 15 minutes prior to the start of the commencement ceremony and proceed directly to the location within the Cypress Community Center indicated on [Commencement Map](#) on page 4 of this handbook.





We are members of the TUW family.

We are mentors to current students.

We are valued members of communities worldwide.

We are support for each other in our careers.

We are TUW Alumni.

Embrace your legacy and join the TUW Alumni Association today!

For more information and a free membership form, please visit us at the 2017 Commencement Ceremony or the TUW Alumni Association webpage: <http://www.tuw.edu/alumni/>





Touro University Worldwide is accredited by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges Senior College and University Commission (WASCUC). Touro College Los Angeles (Lander Campus) is a division of Touro University Worldwide.

For more information on WASCUC, visit www.WASCUCsenior.org or write WASCUC at 985 Atlantic Ave., Suite 100, Alameda, CA 94501.

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