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Graduations open up a new horizon

The success and hard work of around 2,000 graduands will be recognised this week, with graduation ceremonies to be held in Hobart over the next two days.

The winter graduations will be held in Hobart on **Friday, 10 August** and **Saturday, 11 August**.

University of Tasmania Vice-Chancellor Professor Rufus Black congratulated all students on reaching the milestone of graduation and encouraged them to take up the many opportunities the completion of their studies would bring.

"Our graduands have created a new horizon of opportunities for their own lives and career paths," Professor Black said.

"They are well placed to make a difference to whatever society they choose to be part of and to make a positive impact on the lives of the people around them and the community in which they live."

Three ceremonies will be held at the Federation Concert Hall in Hobart on Friday (tomorrow), at **1pm, 4pm** and **7pm** and on Saturday at **11am, 2.30pm** and **5.30pm**.

A total of 897 students will be conferred in Hobart.

Close to 1,400 graduands will also celebrate their scholastic achievements in graduation ceremonies in Launceston on Saturday 18 August.

Friday, 10 August - Hobart ceremonies

- 1pm:** Tasmanian School of Business and Economics,
Graduate Research;
- 4pm:** College of Arts, Law and Education,
Graduate Research;
- 7pm:** College of Arts, Law and Education,
University College,
Graduate Research.

Saturday, 11 August - Hobart Ceremonies

- 11am:** College of Sciences and Engineering,
Graduate Research;
- 2.30pm:** College of Health and Medicine,
College of Sciences and Engineering,
Graduate Research.
- 5.30pm:** College of Health and Medicine,
Graduate Research.

Media information:

- Media are welcome to film and photograph graduations.
- Graduands and their family, friends and guests gather at least 30 minutes before the ceremonies and afterwards for refreshments at the venue. Each ceremony is expected to last for approximately one hour.
- 'Graduand' refers to someone about to graduate. After they receive their degree or diploma, they are then a graduate.
- The hats that graduands wear are called mortarboards or caps. The floppy velvet hats are called Tudor bonnets and indicate the wearer has a PhD. The black academic gowns are robes. The robes with longer sleeves mean the wearer has a Master's degree or higher. Different institutions have different styles and colours of academic dress.
- The coloured silk on academic robes refers to the wearer's degree.
- 'Testamur' refers to the physical degree or diploma a graduate receives, i.e. the folder/piece of paper they are handed on stage.

For general information about graduations, please visit:
<http://www.utas.edu.au/graduation/>

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