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New futures spring from winter graduations

Graduation celebrations are moving north as the hard work of close to 1,400 graduands is marked with ceremonies in Launceston tomorrow.

Two winter graduation ceremonies will be held at **11am and 2.30pm at the Albert Hall on Saturday, 18 August.**

University of Tasmania Provost Professor Jane Long congratulated the students on the culmination of a great deal of hard work and study, and the beginning of a new chapter.

"We are immensely proud of our graduating students and we hope that as a university we have been able to support them to develop the skills and experiences that will enable them to live the kind of lives they aim for," Professor Long said.

"Their studies have opened up new horizons of opportunities, and the chance to make a positive impact on whatever societies and communities they choose to be a part of."

It is expected that 336 graduands will attend the two ceremonies to receive their degrees.

11.00am ceremony: College of Arts, Law and Education
College of Sciences and Engineering
Tasmanian School of Business and Economics
University College
Graduate Research

2.30pm ceremony: 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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