

LOGAN UNIVERSITY

Graduation Guest Hooding Policy

Master, doctorate and professional degree graduates participate in a hooding ceremony during graduation. During the hooding process, a sash like garment of blue and white (Logan's school colors) and the color that represents the discipline of the degree being granted is placed around the neck of the graduate. This tells the story of what school and discipline an individual graduated.

Hooding takes place by the President, Vice President of Academic Affairs and/or the Dean of the College. The garment is then arranged so that it flows down the back of the graduate, revealing the colors of the school and discipline. For graduates with more than one degree, only one hood is worn at any given time.

The accomplishment of graduating with a doctorate and professional degree typically signifies the final stage of formal education. As part of the celebration of this stage of education, Doctorate and professional degree students are allowed to invite a guest hooder to hood them during the graduation ceremony.

The guest hooder must meet the following criteria:

- Be the graduate's parent (step), grandparent (step), sibling (step), child (step) or spouse
- Have an earned doctorate or professional degree in a health profession related discipline; or
- Be Active or Reserve United States Military Status and in dress uniform; or
- Be retired from the United States Military and be a veteran of a recognized war or conflict.

Guest hooders are limited to two per student. Students wishing to invite a guest hooder, must submit a request form to GuestHooding@logan.edu at least eight weeks prior to the graduation ceremony and receive official approval for the guest hooder to participate.

Guest hooders themselves do not wear regalia. Instead they should dress in business attire or military dress.

Exceptions to the policy are rare, and are heard by the Vice President of Academic Affairs.