December 2016 Commencement

OBTAINING ACADEMIC APPAREL:
All degree candidates participating in May commencement ceremonies will wear academic apparel. On campus, academic apparel may be purchased from the K-State Student Union Bookstore.

A. BACHELOR'S CANDIDATES participating in spring commencement exercises will wear a black cap, black gown and tassel (burgundy for Human Ecology OR golden yellow for Arts & Science-Kinesiology). These items are purchased through the K-State Campus Store in the Student Union or orders can be placed online at www.k-statecampusstore.com click on the graduation tab. Price for the cap, gown and tassel before tax is $42.00. IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS ABOUT THIS PROCESS, PLEASE CONTACT THE CAMPUS STORE STAFF, THEY WILL BE GLAD TO HELP YOU. The campus store phone number is 785-532-6583. If you want to email a question or concern please email Rhonda Darrow at: 1336mgr@follett.com .

WEARING OF ACADEMIC APPAREL:
Traditionally, graduation regalia is not ornamented. Wearing of corsages, boutonnieres, non-K-State Cords/Stoles or any other ornamentation (which includes any kind of decoration on the pieces of regalia) are not appropriate to K-State’s academic protocol. All these other items and any decorated regalia will be confiscated and not given back if worn and may result in you not being able to participate in the ceremony. The College of Human Ecology will allow students to wear Official K-State cords (i.e. academic honor cords for Summa Cum Laude, Magna Cum Laude & Cum Laude which are issued by the K-State Registrar’s Office and given out to students by the Dean’s Offices and/or other official K-State Honor Societies Cords/Stoles, & Official K-State Clubs and K-State Sororities/Fraternities Cords/Stoles) on their regalia.

A. TASSEL PLACEMENT:
1. Bachelor’s candidates: Place burgundy tassel on right side of mortar board. Following conferral of degree, place tassel on left side. NOTE: Arts & Science-Kinesiology students will have a golden yellow tassel.

B. MORTAR BOARDS:
1. Wear it squarely on top of the head, board parallel to the floor; not cocked to the sides, forward or back.

C. ACADEMIC HONOR CORDS i.e. Summa Cum Laude, Magna Cum Laude & Cum Laude (bachelor’s candidates only): The cords are attached to the gown on the wearer’s left shoulder. They are distributed by the registrar’s office to the deans’ offices to give to qualified degree candidates. Human Ecology presents these cords to qualified students at our Graduation Honors & Student Awards Celebration. That event takes place the Friday prior to Commencement day. It is by invitation only. Qualified students will be invited via email.

PRINTED ANNOUNCEMENTS:
Several packages of graduation announcements are available in different styles through the K-State Campus Store website www.k-statecampusstore.com. You can order these at the same time you order your regalia and it will all be shipped together or you can pick it all up together in the bookstore. Samples of the announcements are available for you to look at in the campus store. The announcements are specially imprinted for each graduate and can include the major or dual major minors, concentrations, college ceremony date, time and place. Be sure to have all the correct information for your specific degree ready when you place your order. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the campus store at 532-6583 or Rhonda Darrow at 1336mgr@follett.com .