

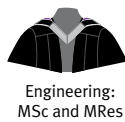
IMPERIAL COLLEGE LONDON

ACADEMIC DRESS

Imperial College London

Most of the student graduates at today's ceremonies are wearing Imperial College London academic dress following the College's receipt of its charter of independence in July 2007. The unifying theme of the academic dress is the colour purple, inspired by W.H. Perkin's invention of the first synthetic purple dye, mauveine, in 1856.

Master's degrees



MPhil



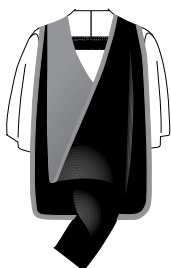
PG certificates and diplomas



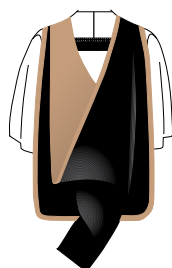
PhD, DEng and MD



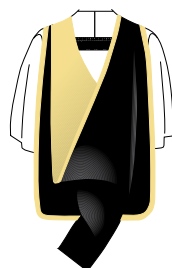
DSc



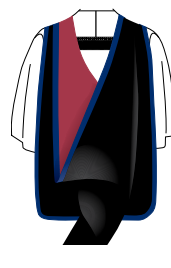
MRes hood



MBA hood



MSc hood



MPhil hood



PhD hood



MD hood



DSc hood

University of London

Until 2007 Imperial College London used the system of academic dress prescribed by the University of London except for its own hoods for the Associateships of the College and the Diploma of the Imperial College (DIC). Some student graduates at today's ceremonies will have chosen to graduate in the robes of the University of London, of which Imperial was a part when they began their studies.