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## Hobart ceremonies to cap off a great graduation season

Hobart graduation ceremonies will begin today (**Monday 16 December**) after ceremonies in Launceston and Burnie last week.

This year 2462 students will graduate in the South at eight ceremonies today, tomorrow and Wednesday.

Today's two ceremonies (3pm and 6pm) will be held at the Stanley Burbury Lecture Theatre on the UTAS Sandy Bay campus.

Tomorrow and Wednesday's ceremonies will be held at the Federation Concert Hall, Grand Chancellor Hotel, in Hobart's CBD.

The annual Town and Gown procession will take place Wednesday at 2:30pm.

The procession is held prior to the 3pm ceremony only, but all students graduating in Hobart are invited to participate.

UTAS Vice-Chancellor Professor Peter Rathjen congratulated all graduands on reaching their academic goals.

"A great deal of enjoyment comes from watching our students receive their degrees, diplomas and doctorates, dressed in their academic regalia - these ceremonies are considered the highlight of the University's calendar," he said.

"For the University community, these are days symbolising great achievement, not only for the students processing to accept their testamurs, but for their entire support networks.

"This includes their family and friends, as well as the lecturers and supervisors who have had the privilege of guiding students through academia to arrive at this point.

"Some students will proceed to what we hope will be rewarding careers. Others may choose the path of academia and we will see them process again, with higher degrees, as the years pass," Professor Rathjen said.

"I extend my warmest congratulations to all graduating students and wish them the best in all future endeavours."

## Hobart December graduation ceremonies:

Monday 16 December	3pm	Faculty of Science, Engineering and Technology <i>Awards (including majors in BSc and BSc Hons) in: Agriculture; Antarctic Studies/Science; Biochemistry; Biotechnology; Environmental Management/Planning; Geography and Environmental Studies; Geographic Information Systems; Geology; Geomatics; Geophysics; Marine Science; Microbiology; Plant Science; Surveying and Spatial Sciences; Zoology.</i>  Allied research higher degrees	<b>Hobart</b> University Centre
	6pm	Faculty of Science, Engineering and Technology <i>Awards (including majors in BSc and BSc Hons) in: Chemistry; Clinical Psychology; Counselling; Computing/Applied Computing; Engineering; Information Systems/Management/Technology; Mathematics; Physics.</i>  Allied research higher degrees	<b>Hobart</b> University Centre
Tuesday 17 December	11.30am	Faculty of Education Allied research higher degrees	<b>Hobart</b> Federation Concert Hall
	3pm	Faculty of Arts <i>Awards (including majors in BA and BA Hons) in: Criminology/Corrections; Police Studies; Social Science; Social Work; Sociology.</i> Faculty of Law Allied research higher degrees	<b>Hobart</b> Federation Concert Hall
	6pm	Faculty of Arts <i>Awards (including majors in BA and BA Hons) in: Humanities; Fine Art/Design/Music; Time-Based Multimedia; Visual Communications.</i> Allied research higher degrees	<b>Hobart</b> Federation Concert Hall
Wednesday 18 December	11am	Faculty of Health Science <i>Awards including Behavioural Science, Counselling; Health Science; Health, Nursing and Psychology.</i> Allied research higher degrees	<b>Hobart</b> Federation Concert Hall
	3pm	Faculty of Health Science <i>Awards including Medicine and Surgery; Medical Sciences; Medical Research; Pathology and Pharmacy.</i> Allied research higher degrees	<b>Hobart</b> Federation Concert Hall
	6pm	Faculty of Business Allied research higher degrees	<b>Hobart</b> Federation Concert Hall

**Media opportunity:** The best times for photos, interviews and filming is generally before the ceremonies begin, when students gather with friends and family outside the graduation venue.

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