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University graduands celebrate their achievements

University of Tasmania graduands will don their academic gowns and hats as graduation ceremonies continue today (Monday 13 December 2010).

This year a total of 1,805 graduands in Hobart are eligible to graduate.

Awards and degrees will be presented from the Faculty of Education, Arts, Law, Business, Health Science, and Science Engineering and Technology at nine ceremonies held over the next three days.

UTAS Vice-Chancellor Professor Daryl Le Grew congratulated all graduands on their achievements.

“Graduation ceremonies are a proud occasion for our students, their families, friends and staff. It is a great honour to see everyone share in the excitement of graduation,” Prof Le Grew said.

“Graduation not only marks a significant milestone in our student’s lives, but also recognises their achievements and their hard work over the course of their study,” Prof Le Grew said.

“We hope our graduates continue to strive for excellence as they prepare for the phase of their lives.”

“On behalf of the University, I would like to wish all our 2010 graduates the best for the future and a rewarding career ahead. We would like them to stay in touch with the University and keep us informed of further achievements.”

Among those graduating will be husband and wife team Elijah Marshall and Rachel Anderson. Elijah and Rachel met at UTAS in 1997 as first year Geology students and now 13 years later, will receive their PhDs at a ceremony to be held today at 2.30pm.

Elijah will receive a PhD in Chemistry and has conducted research into gold hydrometallurgy and analytical chemistry to investigate how gold can be extracted from ore without using cyanide.

Rachel will receive her PhD in Geography and Environmental Science after researching molecular ecology, particularly the evolutionary patterns of the South Eastern Australian brown butterflies, some of which are now threatened species.

Media Notes

Media are invited to attend any of the graduation ceremonies. Ceremonies last about one hour and the best time to interview graduates is after the ceremony.

For more information or to arrange an interview with the graduates, contact Catherine Rogers on 6226 7489.

Graduation ceremonies in Hobart:

Date	Time	Faculties	Venue
Monday, 13 December	11.00am	Faculty of Science, Engineering & Technology	University Centre, Sandy Bay
	2.30pm	Faculty of Science, Engineering & Technology	
	5.30pm	Faculty of Education	
Tuesday, 14 December	11.00am	Faculty of Arts	University Centre, Sandy Bay
	2.30pm	Faculty of Arts	
	5.30pm	Faculty of Law	
Wednesday, 15 December	11.00am	Faculty of Business	Federation Concert Hall, Hobart
	3.00pm	Faculty of Health Science	
	7.00pm	Faculty of Health Science	

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